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HELD AT

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BALTIMORE, MD.,

OCTOBER 20-27, 1897.

THE Sixteenth Annual Meeting of the Board of Managers of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church convened in Fayette Street Church, Baltimore, Md., Wednesday morning, October 20th, at ten o'clock. The church was tastefully decorated with plants and flowers. The word "Welcome," and the motto, "For the Love of Christ and in His Name," appeared above the pulpit.

The meeting was called to order by the President, Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk, who announced Mrs. Clara L. Roach as in charge of the devotional exercises, but desired that the Convention should first unite in singing "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow," in recognition of his goodness in preserving the life of our beloved Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. R. S. Rust. "Come, thou Almighty King," was sung, and the Apostles' Creed was repeated. Mrs. Roach led in a fervent prayer of thanksgiving for God's providential leading in the work of the Society, for the enlargement of its borders, and for his preserving care of its chief officers and many workers. "Come, thou Fount of every blessing," was sung, and selections from the 100th Psalm and the second chapters of Joel and the Acts of the Apostles were read.

After the general officers of the Society were called to the platform by the President, Mrs. Fisk, the roll of the Conferences was called by the Recording Secretary, Mrs. F. A. Aiken, beginning with the New England Conference, and the delegates made choice of seats.

On nomination of Mrs. Aiken, Mrs. E. L. Albright, Lima, O.; Mrs. B. S. Potter, Bloomington, Ill.; Miss Martha Van Marter, East Orange, N. J., and Mrs. May Leonard Woodruff, Dover, N. J., were confirmed Assistant Secretaries.

Mrs. Fisk presented a telegram from Mrs. H. M. Teller—"Welcome to Baltimore Conference. Read First Thessalonians, second, third, and fourth verses."

In presenting the address of welcome from Baltimore District, the presiding elder, Rev. C. W. Baldwin, said: "The King's business requires haste, and even these amenities should not long delay it." He welcomed the representatives of the Society because of their work of faith and labor of love, and for the sake of Him whom they serve. He welcomed them to the hearts, the homes, the churches, and, in the absence of the mayor, to the whole city, as co-workers in the ministry of the Lord Jesus.

Rev. C. H. Richardson, pastor, in presenting the greeting of Fayette Street Church, said that a Society that had been welcomed to so many cities well understood what an American welcome meant. He said: "We have been thinking about you for a year, and anticipating your enjoyment in coming to a city so like to the Celestial City, and believe that you will be slow to leave it." He believed the use of the word "welcome" appropriate to our coming, since its original meaning conveyed the idea of bringing a blessing. He assured the ladies that the Church stood ready to follow the injunction of the apostles Peter and Paul to hospitality, and if they entertained angels, they should not do it unawares. He was glad to welcome them to this historic spot, and this church sixty years old, but where hearts are still warm and aglow with love.

Mrs. A. M. Hopkins, in her address of welcome to the homes of Baltimore, said there was one realm in which woman reigned supreme; that while man might build the house, woman alone made the home, and it is to this realm we invite you to-day. We welcome you to our firesides, to communion with our inner selves; to a city which in its goodly number of Methodists includes those who are not only lineal descendants but spiritual successors of those great men who, by a holy zeal, removed the reproach attached to the name Methodist, and made that name a synonym for religion in earnest. We welcome you to the historic ground where, in 1784, at the first General Conference, the association of Methodists in this country became the Methodist Episcopal Church, and where we now sacredly guard the ashes of Asbury, Roberts, George, and Emory. Rejoicing in the victories of these leaders who have passed on before, we welcome you as leaders in one great field of Methodist effort, that of Home Missions, and as a Society that has quickened the spiritual life of the Church, and become a source of blessing to unnumbered multitudes

In responding to these addresses of welcome, Mrs. Charles W. Gallagher said: "In opening your homes to the representatives of this Society, you entertain and bless, not only them, but the seventy-five thousand members of this organization, its missionaries, deaconesses, teachers, the unconverted multitudes for whom they are laboring,—Indians, Chinese, Japanese, Mormons, freedwomen, mountain whites, the children who swarm in our city slums and stagnate in our untaught

frontiers, the forty millions of people who never enter a church, and the pagan hordes that are surging upon our shores. To the work of redeeming these multitudes from sin we come with limited means, but we trust that He who came to seek and to save that which was lost, will supplement our limitations by his unlimited resources as He did when five loaves and two fishes, contributed from the poverty of his following, were made to supply the need of five thousand men, besides women and children. Our work is one of practical helpfulness, teaching the ignorant and uncivilized the simple arts of home-making and home-keeping, inspiring our youth with a desire for wisdom and understanding, and, above all, trying to lead the unsaved to Jesus Christ, the highest source of individual and social purity."

The following resolution was presented by Mrs. Roach, and, on motion, adopted:

Resolved, That the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, now in session, express its approval of the action of Rev. Charles W. Gallagher, D. D., in the noble stand he took for godliness and temperance in resigning his position as President of the Maine Wesleyan Seminary and Female College, at Kent's Hill, Me., when a prominent brewer was elected trustee of that time-honored institution.

The Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Rust, presented a brief but comprehensive report, prepared despite the prohibition of her physician, but with great pleasure to herself. On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Tomkinson presented the following preamble and resolution, which were adopted by a rising vote:

WHEREAS, Our honored Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. R. S. Rust, was prevented by serious illness from being with us at our last Annual Meeting; therefore,

Resolved, That we express our gratitude to Almighty God for her restoration to health and her presence with us to-day, and the continuation of her invaluable services to our beloved Society.

Mrs. Fisk stated that the time for the noontide prayer had come, and, after a moment of silent prayer, Mrs. Jane Bancroft Robinson led in audible prayer, especially asking that the spirit of harmony might prevail throughout our deliberations.

The report of the Treasurer, Mrs. Delia Lathrop Williams, was prefaced by an acknowledgment of the uniform kindness which she had received. On motion, the report was adopted, with thanksgiving. (See Report.)

A letter was received by Mrs. Rust from Mrs. William McKinley, Washington, D. C., regretting her inability to attend this meeting.

The Convention adjourned to meet at two P. M. The doxology was sung, and the benediction pronounced by the Rev. Lewis Albert Banks, D. D., of Cleveland, O.

Wednesday Afternoon.

TO open the session, at two o'clock, "How firm a foundation" was sung. The devotional exercises were in charge of Mrs. T. J. Everett, who read a portion of the seventh chapter of St. Luke. Mrs. A. H. Webb offered prayer, and "We may not climb the heavenly steeps" was sung.

The President, Mrs. Fisk, occupied the chair.

The Minutes of the morning session were read by Mrs. Albright, and adopted.

The Secretary, Mrs. Aiken, presented the following recommendations from the General Executive Board:

First. That the request of Mrs. J. L. Whetstone, the efficient Secretary of the Bureau for East Southern States, for the division of this Bureau, be granted. The growth of the work of this Bureau has so increased its responsibilities as to commend its division into the Bureaus for Georgia and Florida: The Bureau for Georgia to supervise the work of the Society, embracing Thayer Home, Atlanta, Ga.; Haven Home and School, Savannah, Ga.; and Mary Haven School, Isle of Hope, Savannah, Ga. The Bureau for Florida to supervise the work of the Society embracing Boylan Home, Jacksonville, Fla., and Emerson Memorial Home, Ocala, Fla.

Second. That Mrs. E. L. Albright be constituted Committee on Church Press, and empowered to choose her assistants.

Third. That Miss Mary Belle Evans and Mrs. M. T. Carey be a Special Committee to solicit subscriptions during the Convention for *Woman's Home Missions* and *Children's Home Missions.*

On motion of Mrs. Rust, the first recommendation was referred to the Committee on By-laws. The second and third recommendations were adopted.

The Standing Committees were constituted as follows:

Courtesies.—Mrs. C. H. Richardson, Mrs. T. P. Frost, and Mrs. C. W. Baldwin.

Credentials.—Mrs. D. L. Williams, Mrs. W. B. Pope, and Mrs. S. W. Floyd.

Enrollment.—Mrs. D. A. Minard, Mrs. A. W. Black, and Mrs. John Taylor.

By-laws.—Mrs. T. J. Everett, Mrs. E. B. Green, Mrs. George O. Robinson, Mrs. A. D. Knapp, and Mrs. M. R. Lincoln.

Resolutions.—Miss Martha Van Marter, Mrs. George H. Thompson, Mrs. J. W. Campbell, Miss Mary L. Gilbert, and Mrs. J. A. Lantry.

Place of Meeting.—Mrs. M. J. Schoyer, Mrs. T. L. Tomkinson, Mrs. L. G. Murphy, and Mrs. C. E. Brinkworth.

Finance and Mission Fields, as provided in By-law 4, under head of *Annual Meeting,* page 264, Fifteenth Annual Report.

Mrs. Everett moved the adoption of the printed program as the order of business for the Convention. Carried.

The report of *Woman's Home Missions* was submitted by the editor, Mrs. H. C. McCabe, and adopted (see Report), with the exception of the recommendation to reduce the Deaconess Department to one page. This was discussed, and Mrs. Robinson felt it to be unwise; rather than decrease, she would enlarge the space for deaconess work. It would be impossible to crowd all the work of this Bureau into one page. Unless we can properly represent this work in our paper, we lose our greatest opportunity to win friends. She pleaded for at least three pages. This department represents two-fifths of the entire work of the Society. Mrs. Robinson urged an increase in the price of the paper—single subscriptions, fifty cents; in clubs of ten, twenty-five cents.

Mrs. Everett moved that the recommendation of the editor be referred to the Committee on *Woman's Home Missions*, and that the Committee be enlarged from seven to nine. Carried.

Mesdames Everett, Tomkinson, and Bunyan were added to this Committee.

The editor of *Children's Home Missions*, Miss Van Marter, reported briefly, referring to the importance of training the children for future service, and urging upon all lovers of our work individual effort on behalf of the child's paper. On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

Miss Mary Belle Evans, publisher of *Woman's Home Missions* and *Children's Home Missions*, submitted a report.

The recommendation of the publisher, that each Auxiliary be requested to give one dollar for ten copies of the *Children's Home Missions*, to be distributed in the church, was on motion of Mrs. W. A. Goodman, Jr., adopted. On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

The President called Mrs. Goodman forward to explain a telegram that had been received from Miss Delia Herron, our missionary at Speedwell, Ga. Mrs. Goodman said Miss Herron needed a horse to aid her in visiting among the three hundred colored people where she is the only white person. The Cincinnati friends provided the horse, buggy, and harness, which were shipped at half-price on the 14th inst. The money donated by other friends, in answer to the appeals for a missionary horse in *Woman's Home Missions*, was partly used for freight. The telegram received to-day said, "Horse and buggy arrived safely after five days."

Mrs. McCabe stated that Mr. Evans, who prints our paper, does a certain amount of miscellaneous printing for nothing, and among other things he had printed the seventy-five postal cards sent to the Conferences regarding this missionary horse. She moved a vote of thanks to Mr. Evans. The motion prevailed, and Mrs. McCabe was requested to bear the thanks of the Society to Mr. Evans.

The report of the Committee on *Woman's Home Missions* was called for, but further time was requested, and, on motion, granted.

The report of the Committee on Transportation was submitted by the Chairman, Mrs. W. M. Ampt, and, on motion, adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. James Dale, Mrs. M. T. Carey, Mrs. I. W. Livezey, and Mrs.

E. W. Seeds, were appointed to assist Mrs. Ampt in the work of transportation during the Convention.

Mrs. Green moved that each one holding a railroad certificate be requested to pay to a member of the Transportation Committee ten cents to defray the expense of the special agent who comes to *vise* the certificates, thus saving this expense to the general treasury. Carried.

On motion of Mrs. Dale, Mrs. M. T. Carey was named to receive this money.

Mrs. Fisk said Mrs. Aiken, at Columbus, made her best speech when she urged that the National colors be placed over every Home under the care of the Society, and it was heartily indorsed. She asked all those having charge of Homes where this idea had been carried out to stand. Eight Bureau Secretaries arose, and it appeared that the President had wrought with her own fingers to earn the money that had purchased flags for the Homes at Unalaska, Alaska, Asheville, N. C., Morristown, Tenn., Holly Springs and Clarkson, Miss., and the Osage Indians.

The President stated that she had no thought that her question would call out so prominently what she had done, but she had enjoyed untold pleasure in working with her fingers to earn the money that had purchased these flags.

A large American flag had been sent by Mrs. M. T. Carey to the Mother's Jewels Home, and another by Mrs. M. R. Crawford to the National Training-school at Washington, D. C.

The fact was developed that the first flag sent out by the Society was a large and beautiful one, displayed at the Banner Festival held in Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church, Cincinnati, O., under the direction of Mrs. Aiken, during the sessions of the Second Annual Meeting of the Society, on which occasion the sale of its Stars and Stripes netted six hundred dollars to the treasury. After an eloquent plea by Mrs. Angie F. Newman, this flag was awarded to the Home in Salt Lake City, Utah, and at a later time proved the inspiration for the second flag sent to the same place by the young ladies of Cleveland, O. (See Fifth Annual Report, page 36.)

After singing two stanzas of "My country, 't is of thee," on motion, the meeting adjourned until 7.30 P. M.

Wednesday Evening.

THE President, Mrs. Fisk, occupied the chair, and the devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. T. H. Pearne, at the close of which she delighted the audience with her sweet rendering of "Christ is All."

The Minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Potter, corrected, and adopted.

Immigrant Work being the theme of the evening, Mrs. A. C. Clark, Superintendent of the Immigrant Home at East Boston, spoke briefly

upon the importance of her line of work, and gave several striking incidents from her full and varied experience.

The choir of the entertaining Church followed Mrs. Clark's address with some very acceptable music.

In the absence of Mrs. J. D. Slayback, Secretary of the Bureau for Immigrants, the report was read by Mrs. Mary Fisk Park, and was followed by a graphic talk from Miss Alma Matthews, long the efficient missionary at Ellis Island, N. Y.

An interesting report of Immigrant work done in Philadelphia was read by Mrs. William Brown, followed by an earnest talk by Mrs. E. Turney, Superintendent of the Philadelphia Deaconess Home. Miss Liming, deaconess from the same Home, also spoke most acceptably upon the work of ministry to the poor and homeless.

On motion, the report of the Bureau for Immigrant Work was accepted (see Report), after which a beautiful selection was rendered by the choir.

The meeting adjourned until Thursday, 10.30 A. M., and the benediction was pronounced by the pastor of the Church.

Thursday Morning.

AT nine o'clock the devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. M. H. Nason, who read a portion of the 65th chapter of Isaiah. "There 's a wideness in God's mercy" was sung, and a chain of prayer was linked to the throne of grace by petitions from several ladies.

The Committee of the Whole on Finance and Mission Fields, Mrs. D. L. Williams Chairman, considered appropriations until 10.30, and arose, when the President, Mrs. Fisk, occupied the chair, and "Nearer, my God, to Thee," was sung.

The Minutes of the evening session were read by Miss Van Marter, and adopted.

The report of the Bureau for East Southern States, Mrs. J. L. Whetstone Secretary, was presented by the Recording Secretary, and adopted. (See Report.)

On motion of Mrs. Aiken, a vote of thanks was tendered Mr. Arthur W. Emerson and Mr. David W. Plumer for the gift of the large United States flag for Boylan Home, Jacksonville, Fla.

Mrs. H. C. Hedges, Secretary of the Bureau for Mississippi, submitted a report, which was adopted after referring its recommendations for appropriation to the Committee of the Whole on Finance and Mission Fields. (See Report.)

The report of the Bureau for Orientals, Mrs. L. P. Williams Secretary, was read by the Recording Secretary. After referring its recommendations for appropriations to the Committee of the Whole on Finance and Mission Fields, and pending its adoption, earnest pleas for increased

appropriations were made by Mrs. Roach, Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. Jones, and Mrs. Herron.

The Watts de Peyster Home and School, in the absence of its Chairman, Mrs. James M. King, was represented by Mrs. Mary Fisk Park, and, on motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Fisk read an extract from a letter written her by General Watts de Peyster, as follows: "To me the children are a source of pleasure, and towards me they testify their gratitude and confidence, when we meet, in the most touching manner. They are well-behaved, well-drilled, and always seem happy."

Mrs. T. L. Tomkinson, in charge of the noontide prayer service, presented the need of the whole world crystallized in four words,—"We would see Jesus."

The doxology was sung, and adjournment until two P. M. followed.

Thursday Afternoon.

THE session opened with the President, Mrs. Fisk, in the chair. The devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. I. D. Jones.

The Minutes of the morning session were read by Mrs. Aiken, and adopted.

Mrs. A. H. Eaton, President of the Baltimore District Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, brought greetings, saying, "We are one in membership, love, and sympathy."

Mrs. Fisk read a letter, with pleasure, from Mrs. Bishop McCabe, expressing her interest in the work, and inclosing in testimony thereof a check for $5 for the Emergency Fund.

The report of the Bureau for New Mexico and Arizona (*Spanish*), was presented by Mrs. Anna Kent, Secretary, and, on motion, adopted. (See Report.)

The Rev. Dr. Richardson presented to the President the following ministers: the Revs. C. W. Baldwin, G. W. Miller, W. M. Osborne, E. L. Watson, Samuel A. Wilson, Charles T. Weede, G. W. Cooper, W. W. Barnes, E. L. Hubbard, James P. Wright, of Baltimore, and J. L. Walsh, of Washington, D. C. In introducing them to the Convention, Mrs. Fisk requested them to remain on the platform, while all joined in singing, with much feeling and enthusiasm, "Christ is All." The President thanked the ministers for their attendance, and asked their support in our work.

The report of the Committee on Credentials was presented by Mrs. Williams, Chairman, and, on motion, adopted. (See Report.)

The report of the Bureau for East Central States was submitted by Mrs. E. L. Albright, Secretary, who announced that she would be brief because she desired Mrs. Fisk to speak in regard to the dedication of the Allen Home, Asheville, N. C.

Mrs. Fisk followed in descriptive words showing the Home one of the best in the city of Asheville, and located on an attractive site.

On motion of Mrs. Park, Mrs. Albright made an appeal for pledges to cancel the indebtedness of $1,800 remaining on Allen Home.

Pledges were made as follows: From Central Ohio Conference, $680; Indiana, $250; Genesee, $100, as a memorial to Mrs. Elizabeth Reed Chambers, and $100 conditional upon being raised; North Ohio, $100, in memory of the late Rev. Newell S. Albright, D. D.; Cincinnati, $50; New England, $50; Wyoming, $100; Newark, $25; New York, $25; North Indiana, $50; Philadelphia, $10; Wilmington, $25; Troy, $50; East Ohio, $50; New England Southern, $25; Central Pennsylvania, $50; Detroit, $20; Erie, $10; Yakima Indian women, $10: Broad Street Auxiliary, Columbus, O., $10.

Mrs. Rust announced that all in attendance are privileged, now or at any time when subscriptions are being taken, to contribute, whether members or not.

The Rev. L. A. Banks, D. D., of Cleveland, O., acted upon this suggestion, and pledged the last $25 in honor of his wife. Pledges were continued, as follows: Asbury Church, Cincinnati, $10; St. Paul, Cincinnati, $10; Jefferson Avenue, Washington, Pa., $10; Northern New York Conference, $10; Hennepin Avenue, Minneapolis, $10; Mrs. Griffin, Troy, N. Y., $10.

Mrs. Williams announced that Mrs. Albright had received no money from the treasury for her traveling and postage expenses during the year, and, in view of this, moved that $100 be given Allen Home from the General Fund. This was unanimously adopted, and the doxology was heartily sung.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

The report of the Mother's Jewels Home was given by Mrs. J. P. Negus, Chairman, who also read extracts from a letter from her co-worker, Mrs. J. L. Woodcock. On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Albright was appointed to consult with the representatives of the press, and arrange that the daily papers be placed on sale at the post-office.

The report of the Bureau for Texas was presented by the Secretary, Mrs. L. G. Murphy, and, on motion, adopted, after referring its recommendation for the purchasing of a small piece of property near King Home to the consideration of the Committee on Finance and Mission Fields. (See Report.)

Mrs. H. I. Kinsey, of the California Conference, was introduced, and gave to the Convention its greetings.

In fitting words, Mrs. Fisk presented to Mrs. Rust a cluster of twenty-two American beauties, in recognition of the twenty-second anniversary of her marriage to Dr. Rust. The Convention arose and greeted our beloved Corresponding Secretary with the Chautauqua salute. Mrs. Rust

responded with much feeling, and referred to the expressions of love which had reached her during her recent illness. She said she would carry the flowers to her husband, whom she was then going to meet on his arrival in Baltimore.

The Convention joined in singing "Blest be the tie that binds."

The report of the Enrollment Committee was presented by Mrs. Minard, Chairman, and, on motion, adopted. This report exhibits the fact that the representation includes four General Officers, four Vice-Presidents, three Honorary Vice-Presidents, ten Managers, two Members of Advisory Board, fourteen Bureau Secretaries, two General Organizers, thirty-two Conference Corresponding Secretaries, thirty-six delegates, one hundred and seventeen missionaries, deaconesses, and visitors outside of the city of Baltimore.

ENROLLMENT LIST.

General Officers.—President, Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. R. S. Rust; Recording Secretary, Mrs. F. A. Aiken; Treasurer, Mrs. D. L. Williams.

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Advisory Board.—Mrs. G. W. Mansfield and Mrs. J. P. Negus.

Bureau Secretaries.—Mrs. E. L. Albright, Mrs. Mary Fisk Park, Mrs. Henry C. Hedges, Mrs. F. A. Arter, Mrs. L. G. Murphy, Mrs. B. S. Potter, Mrs. Anna Kent, Mrs. E. W. Simpson, Mrs. H. C. McCabe, Mrs. Jane Bancroft Robinson, Mrs. D. A. Minard, Mrs. James Dale, Mrs. E. B. Green, and Mrs. J. L. Trisler.

Editor Woman's Home Missions.—Mrs. H. C. McCabe.

Editor Children's Home Missions.—Miss Martha Van Marter.

Publisher.—Miss Mary Belle Evans.

Treasurer's Secretary.—Mrs. P. R. Graham.

Stenographer.—Miss Elizabeth Wommer.

The names of Corresponding Secretaries of Conferences are noted by an asterisk.

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Baltimore.—Mrs. Clara L. Roach,* Mrs. A. M. Hopkins. Visitors: Mrs. John Neff, Mrs. D. B. Street, Mrs. William Burris, Mrs. W. G. McDowell, Mrs. J. S. Tasker, Judge W. G. McDowell, and Mrs. George Timms.

California.—Mrs. H. I. Kinsey.

Central Illinois.—Mrs. Elizabeth Hull.

Central New York.—Mrs. W. A. Brownell,* Mrs. D. E. Robinson. Visitors: Mrs. W. H. York, Mrs. Daniel Smith.

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Central Ohio.—Mrs. Daniel Stecker. Visitors: Mrs. D. M. Bailey, Mrs. W. S. Lenhart.

Cincinnati.—Mrs. H. G. Marshall,* Mrs. D. C. Vance, Mrs. Bishop Walden, Mrs. W. C. Herron, Mrs. R. S. Rust, Mrs. F. A. Aiken, Mrs. James Dale, Mrs. J. W. Gosling, Mrs. G. H. Thompson, Mrs. I. D. Jones, Mrs. W. A. Goodman, Jr., Mrs. M. T. Carey, Mrs. W. M. Ampt, Mrs. J. L. Trisler, Miss Elizabeth Wommer. Visitors: Mrs. T. H. Pearne, Mrs. W. H. S. Ewell, Mrs. I. W. Livezey, Mrs. R. Clement, Mrs. G. Polluck.

Central Pennsylvania.—Mrs. T. L. Tomkinson,* Mrs. A. W. Black. Visitors: Mrs. M. R. Crawford, Mrs. Ellen F. Tomkinson, Mrs. W. P. Denehey, Mrs. J. A. McKee, Mrs. Mary L. Haverstick, Mrs. George W. Kinter, Mrs. M. L. Ganoe, Mrs. J. E. Bell, Mrs. Neitz, Miss M. M. Webber.

Detroit.—Mrs. W. B. Pope,* Mrs. J. A. Banks, Mrs. George O. Robinson.

East Ohio.—Mrs. M. C. Hickman,* Mrs. M. H. Nason. Visitors: Mrs. C. H. Weed, Mrs. G. H. Foster, Mrs. Edward Lewis, Mrs. Thomas Dennison, Mrs. L. S. Whiteman, Mrs. E. H. Yingling, Rev. L. A. Banks, D. D.

Erie.—Miss Annie Cummings,* Mrs. J. N. Bolard. Visitor: Miss Mary Siggins.

Genesee.—Mrs. E. B. Green,* Mrs. C. E. Brinkworth. Visitors: Mrs. D. A. Minard, Mrs. Florence Shields, Mr. D. L. Shields, Mrs. M. Isabelle Smith, Miss Ellen Goodenough, deaconess.

Illinois.—Miss Sue E. Heath, Mrs. B. S. Potter.

Indiana.—Mrs. A. V. P. Adams,* Mrs. E. W. McIntosh.

Iowa.—Mrs. L. G. Murphy.*

Louisiana.—Mrs. D. M. Walker.*

Maine.—Mrs. C. W. Gallagher, Miss Isabelle S. Allen.

Michigan.—Mrs. Levi Master,* Mrs. J. W. Hallenbeck. Visitor: Mrs. Laura Finch Barnard.

Minnesota and Minnesota Northern.—Mrs. John Taylor.*

Newark.—Mrs. C. E. Hill,* Mrs. C. T. Hutchinson. Visitors: Mrs. May Leonard Woodruff, Mrs. E. Jones, Mrs. W. F. Day, and Mrs. J. I. Boswell.

Nebraska.—Mrs. Angie F. Newman.

New England.—Mrs. S. W. Floyd,* Mrs. L. A. Sanborn, Professor Harriet Cook, Mrs. G. W. Mansfield. Visitors: Mrs. F. W. Ainsworth, Mrs. L. T. Jefts, Mrs. F. M. Stodder, Mrs. L. M. Howes, Mrs. J. A. Harrington, Mrs. A. C. Clark.

New England Southern.—Mrs. J. A. Southard,* Mrs. T. J. Everett. Visitors: Mrs. S. H. Bailey, Miss E. L. Manchester.

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New Hampshire.—Mrs. A. T. Wells,* Mrs. Daniel Oustott. Visitor: Miss Carrie Taylor.

New Jersey.—Mrs. G. M. P. Wells,* Mrs. S. J. Turner. Visitors: Mrs. John Northop, Mrs. J. L. Heritage, Mrs. C. T. Wesley.

New York.—Mrs. J. W. Campbell,* Mrs. Mary Fisk Park. Visitors: Mrs. F. C. Morgan, Mrs. J. B. Huff, Mrs. J. E. Price, Mrs. O'Neill, Miss Alma Matthews, missionary.

New York East.—Mrs. C. H. Carhart,* Mrs. John A. Secor. Visitors: Mrs. A. R. Clare, Mrs. J. A. Lantry.

North Indiana.—Mrs. L. H. Bunyan,* Mrs. W. H. Daniel.

North Ohio.—Mrs. A. D. Knapp,* Mrs. A. R. Timmins.

Northern New York.—Mrs. I. L. Hunt,* Miss Mary L. Gilbert.

Northwest Iowa.—Mrs. J. P. Negus.*

Ohio.—Mrs. F. A. Sells,* Mrs. D. S. Kellicott. Visitor: Mrs. E. W. Seeds.

Oregon.—Mrs. Bishop Cranston.

Philadelphia.—Mrs. Theo. Stevens,* Mrs. G. E. Palen, Mrs. W. L. Boswell, Mrs. C. W. Bickley. Visitors: Mrs. D. Dailey, Jr., Mrs. Charles Scott, Mrs. E. A. Scott, Mrs. H. C. Paist, Mrs. Burns, Mrs. T. A. Ryder, Mrs. F. A. Dingee, Mrs. H. H. Kynett, Mrs. E. W. Schofield, Mrs. William Brown, Mrs. J. H. Smythe, Mrs. Marvin Clark, Miss S. Eisenburg, Mrs. M. A. Taylor, Mrs. Susan Patterson, Mrs. M. S. Bonsall, Mrs. E. Turney, and Miss Liming.

Pittsburg.—Mrs. M. J. Schoyer,* Mrs. J. W. Kennear.

Puget Sound.—Mrs. E. C. Miller, M. D., missionary.

Rock River.—Mrs. Katharine V. Falley.

Troy.—Mrs. E. W. Simpson,* Mrs. I. D. Van Valkenburg. Visitors: Mrs. Sarah D. Edmunds. Mrs. William E. Griffin, Mrs. F. Wager, Mrs. F. Shields, Mrs. J. H. Russell, Miss Mabel Russell, Miss M. L. Stevens, and Rev. I. D. Van Valkenburg.

Upper Iowa.—Visitor: Mrs. Chloe Collin.

Virginia.—Mrs. J. W. Bechtel.

Vermont.—Mrs. C. S. Richmond,* Mrs. A. H. Webb.

West Texas.—Mrs. E. S. Spriggs.*

Wilmington.—Mrs. Emma L. Weldin,* Mrs. M. R. Lincoln. Visitors: Mrs. N. M. Browne, Mrs. Stansbury Willey, Mrs. Henry C. Robinson, Mrs. Thomas Benson, Mrs. Mary Gee, Mrs. John Booker, Mrs. Isaac Woodrow, Miss Elizabeth M. Maris, Mrs. Emma Groves, Mrs. Mary E. Deputy, Mrs. Mary Brown, Mrs. Henry F. Pickles, Mrs. L. C. Matlack, Miss Dora McLeod, Mrs. William E. Francis, Mrs. William Morrow, Mrs. M. E. Francis, Mrs. Annie Kirk, Miss Myrna Tomkinson, Mrs. L. E. Crohamn, Mrs. Frank Mitchell, Mrs. C. N. Bradway, Mrs. Washington Hastings, Mrs. J. B. Quigg.

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Wyoming.—Mrs. George B. Kulp,* Mrs. W. G. Simpson. Visitors: Mrs. P. L. Bennett, Mrs. W. H. Pearce, Mrs. James Bowman, Mrs. C. E. Mogg, Mrs. G. I. Llewellyn, Miss Ella Sturdevant, Mrs. J. C. Leacock, Mrs. G. D. Dewitt.

Mrs. Fisk announced that Mrs. A. F. Beiler, Secretary of the Bureau for Alaska, could not be present at the evening session, according to program, because of unforeseen detention during her homeward trip from Alaska. It was hoped, however, she would arrive before the close of the meeting.

Mrs. Williams announced the arrival of Mrs. E. C. Miller, of Fort Simcoe, Wash., missionary to the Yakima Indians, and requested that she be permitted to speak of her work at the evening meeting. Granted.

Mrs. Robinson submitted a request from the New England Conference, that Professor Harriet Cook, of Boston, be permitted to present her medical work during the evening session. Granted.

Mrs. Fisk announced that subscriptions to the daily papers would now be received at the post-office.

The doxology was sung, and, on motion, the meeting adjourned until 7.30 P. M.

Thursday Evening.

THE meeting opened with the singing of "Faith of our Fathers." Miss Van Marter read the fifteenth chapter of St. John, and offered an earnest petition that we might be brought into nearness to God, the source of all strength and wisdom.

The Minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Woodruff, corrected, and adopted.

By request of the President, Mrs. Fisk, the Rev. R. S. Rust, D. D., was invited to the platform, that he might be seated beside his bride on this, the twenty-second anniversary of their marriage.

The anthem, "Seek ye the Lord while he may be found," was beautifully rendered by the quartet of the Madison Avenue Church.

Mrs. Rust called attention to the fact that, according to the Constitution, all proposed changes in the by-laws must be presented during the first three days of the Convention.

The report of the Bureau for West Central States, Mrs. Mary Fisk Park, Secretary, was submitted, and, on motion, adopted. (See Report.)

By request, Mrs. Woodruff sang several stanzas of "Christ is All," the audience joining in the chorus.

Professor Harriet Cook, of Boston, in representing her medical work, said that while resident at Mildmay, England, there was a medical mission in the mission of which she had charge, and that her observation and experience in this work had convinced her that in the Home as well as the Foreign mission-field the medical mission is the most effective

agency in the work of soul-saving, and that to heal the sick and say, "The kingdom of God is come nigh unto you," is still the Divine order of work. Coming to Boston four years since, she had entered into the ordinary form of missionary work on old historic ground, from which the Churches of to-day had departed, only to meet discouragements, until by the aid of three faithful Christian physicians, who gave long hours of service without compensation, she was able to realize her long-cherished desire for the establishment of medical work in these destitute localities. Instances were given showing the blessed influences of this work.

"O Galilee, sweet Galilee," was sung by the choir, to the great delight of the audience.

In introducing Mrs. E. C. Miller, medical missionary among the Yakima Indians, Mrs. Fisk called the thought of the Convention to the Indians' lifelong friend, Mrs. Dorchester, who a few years since went home. Mrs. Miller stated that the tribe of Indians among whom she labored was a widely-scattered one, numbering about seventeen hundred. Her experience had convinced her that in the uplifting of the Indian there could be no hurry. Patience would always be needed. Touching instances were given of the transformation of character as ample reward for years of service.

An invitation to visit the Woman's College at three o'clock to-morrow was presented, and, on motion, accepted.

"When the roll is called up yonder" was sung, and adjournment until 10.30 Friday morning followed. The benediction was pronounced by Rev. R. S. Rust, D. D.

Friday Morning.

THE devotional services were conducted by Mrs. G. E. Palen.

The Committee of the Whole on Finance and Mission Fields remained in session until 10.30, when it arose, and the order of business was taken up after one stanza of "A charge to keep I have" was sung, Mrs. Fisk presiding.

The Minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Albright, and adopted.

Judge McDowell, of Washington, D. C., was introduced, and made a few happy and striking remarks.

Mrs. M. C. Hickman presented the following:

Resolved, That in future we use the term *scholarship* instead of beneficiary when applied to money used to aid students.

On motion, referred to the Committee on By-laws.

The report of the Bureau for New Mexico and Arizona (*Indian*), Mrs. E. W. Simpson Secretary, was presented. Mrs. Simpson made a plea for $300 for a new dormitory at Dulce, and $100 for scholarships. The following amounts were rapidly pledged: Troy, N. Y., $50; Fifth

Avenue Church, Troy, $25; First Church, Albany, N. Y., $25; Newark Conference, $25; Wyoming, $100; North Indiana, $25; Ohio, $25; Detroit, $20; East Ohio, $20; Wilmington, $25; Cincinnati, $20; New York, $10; Genesee, $10; and New England, $20,—which completed the amount required.

The doxology was then sung with much spirit, and the report was adopted. (See Report.)

The report of the Bureau for Indian and Frontier Work was given by Mrs. H. C. McCabe, Secretary, and followed by a three-minutes' talk by Mrs. Emily C. Miller.

Mrs. Goodman called attention to a supply of excellent pictures in her possession, which she desired to present to Mrs. Miller for use among the Indians.

Mrs. Bishop Cranston spoke briefly of her visit to Stickney Home, Lynden, Wash., urging increased interest in this most excellent work.

Mrs. McCabe thought a continuous thank-offering from all Auxiliaries for the homes which they enjoy should be directed toward the Indian work. The following pledges were made for scholarships in this Bureau: Baltimore Conference, $40; Central New York, $40 and a barrel of supplies; Central Ohio, $50; Central Pennsylvania, $40; Cincinnati, $25; East Ohio, $25; Erie, $40, for Erie McCabe; New Castle District, Erie $40; Michigan, $40; New York, $5; North Ohio, $25; Northern New York, $10; Northwest Iowa, $40; Ohio, $40, conditional; Philadelphia, $10, if work is resumed for the Poncas or Pawnees; Oregon, $65; Pittsburg, $20; Troy, $40; Wilmington, $40; New England, $40; Indiana, $5; Vermont, $40; Winton Place Band, Cincinnati, $40; Junior Epworth League of Hemingway Church, Evanston, Ill., $5.

Mrs. Schoyer offered the following, which was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, Mrs. M. R. Crawford, of Williamsport, Pa., was stricken with sudden and severe illness on her way to this meeting; therefore,

Resolved, That this body express to her its sincere regret and deep sympathy in her affliction, together with its appreciation of her long and faithful services.

The noon-prayer service, in charge of Mrs. J. W. Campbell, was a time of rest and refreshing.

In view of early adjournment to visit the Woman's College, it was moved and carried that we convene at 1.30 P. M. A motion to adjourn prevailed, and the benediction was pronounced by the Rev. Dr. Edwards, of Baltimore.

Friday Afternoon.

AT 1.45 o'clock the President, Mrs. Fisk, resumed the chair, with Mrs. W. B. Pope in charge of the devotional exercises. "There is a fountain filled with blood" was sung, followed by the reading of a part of the third chapter of St. John, and a prayer offered by Mrs. Pope.

The Minutes of the morning session were read by Miss Van Marter, and adopted.

The report of the Bureau for West Southern States was submitted by the Secretary, Mrs. F. A. Arter, and, on motion, adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Williams, Chairman, presented the report of the Committee for Ritter Home, which, on motion, was adopted. (See Report.)

The Bureau for Home Missionary Reading Circle was represented by its Secretary, Mrs. J. L. Trisler, who, in impressive and eloquent words, awarded the banner to the Baltimore Conference, as having enrolled the greatest number of members during the year.

Mrs. T. P. Frost responded in appropriate words, showing what an inspiration the banner had been to her more than seven hundred members of the Reading Circle.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Goodman recommended that the following change in By-law 4, page 273, last Annual Report, be made: Insert after By-law 3 the following words: "Where no special agent is appointed to solicit subscriptions to *Woman's Home Missions* it shall be the duty of the Corresponding Secretary;" then shall follow the By-law as it now stands.

Mrs. Roach advocated that a special Secretary be appointed in each Conference, district, and Auxiliary for this duty, rather than place the duty upon the Corresponding Secretary.

Mrs. Kellicott recommended that the work be given to the librarian.

Mrs. Hickman offered an amendment, that where no special agent is appointed this duty shall devolve upon the Corresponding Secretary.

The amendment was accepted by Mrs. Goodman, and, on motion, the proposed change was referred to the Committee on By-laws.

Mrs. Everett asked to be excused from the Committee on By-laws, and that Mrs. Carhart take her place. Granted.

Mrs. Robinson asked to be excused from the same Committee, and that Mrs. Woodruff take her place. Granted.

Mrs. Negus requested that the age of children eligible to Mother's Jewels Bands be ten years instead of eight. On motion, referred to the Committee on By-laws.

The President, Mrs. Fisk, requested Mrs. Pearne to sing "Christ is All," while the audience should join in the chorus.

After the singing of the beautiful hymn, the President tenderly referred to the bereavement of our beloved Mrs. McCabe.

Mrs. Aiken asked that we offer silent prayer, and thus testify our heartfelt sympathy for our sister and gifted co-worker.

Mrs. Aiken said that word had come to us that the Rev. Newell S. Albright, D. D., of Denver, whose words had so thrilled us at Columbus, O., as he represented our work in an evening address, had recently passed away, and she moved that a Committee of Three be appointed by the chair to convey, by resolution, to Mrs. Albright our sympathy for her, and our keen appreciation of our own loss.

The President appointed as this Committee Mrs. Aiken, Mrs. A. D. Knapp, and Mrs. H. C. Hedges.

On motion, adjourned until 7.30 P. M. The benediction was pronounced by the Rev Dr. Richardson.

Friday Evening.

THE devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. E. Turney, who read the seventeenth chapter of St. Matthew.

The President, Mrs. Fisk, occupied the chair, and stated that the absence of the Mayor of Baltimore from the opening session of this Convention was due to his obedience to the law requiring his presence in his office from ten A. M. to two P. M.

The Minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Potter, and adopted.

Mrs. I. D. Jones, Chairman of the Committee on Glenn Home, spoke effectively of the good work accomplished by this missionary agency in Cincinnati. On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

The address of the evening, forceful and of thrilling eloquence, was delivered by the Rev. S. Parkes Cadman, D. D., pastor of Metropolitan Temple, New York City. He reviewed the lives of Susannah Wesley and Mary Fletcher, and criticised the departure from the old hymns of Charles Wesley. He denied that Methodism is going backward, but feared the Church, in many places, is becoming too "respectable." Had not the Church departed from the teachings of its early days, the Salvation Army would never have arisen. It is our duty to control society in the interest of the kingdom of God. We must keep our grasp on the world, and keep pace with the advancement of science.

"Come, thou Fount of every blessing," was sung, and the meeting adjourned until Saturday, 10.30 A. M. The benediction was pronounced by Rev. T. P. Frost.

Saturday Morning.

THE devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. G. W. Mansfield, who read from the fourth chapter of Second Kings. Prayer was offered by Mrs. F. W. Ainsworth. Mrs. Pearne led in singing "Bringing in the Sheaves," and Mrs. Woodruff sang "Jesus paid it all."

After the meeting of the Committee of the Whole on Finance and Mission Fields arose, at 10.45 o'clock, Mrs. Fisk resumed the chair, and the Convention joined in singing "Wonderful words of life."

The Minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Aiken, and adopted.

Mrs. Mary Fisk Park submitted the following, which was adopted:

WHEREAS, We miss from our number one who has from year to year added, by her presence and ability, to the profit of our Convention, Mrs. Samuel Hamilton, of Pittsburg, who is detained by serious illness; therefore,

Resolved, That we express to her our sympathy and love.

Mrs. George H. Thompson presented a report from the Auditing Committee, which, on motion of Mrs. Goodman, was referred to the Committee on Finance and Mission Fields, with power to act, with the exception of the recommendation referring to the payment of organizers, which, on motion of Mrs. Everett, was referred to the Committee on By-laws.

Mrs. Rust moved the suspension of the By-law, so that this or any other change may be referred to the Committee on By-laws, although the time for the presentation of any such changes has expired. Carried.

On motion, it was unanimously resolved that a communication should be sent to Mr. Richard Dymond, Cincinnati. O., expressing the appreciation of the Society for his untiring aid and encouragement in our work.

Mrs. Fisk gave to the Convention the words of St. Paul in Second Corinthians, ninth chapter, and eighth verse, as words of greeting from Mrs. E. E. Marcy, of Evanston, Ill., who, for the first time, is absent from the Annual Meeting.

Mrs. Hickman presented the following, which was adopted:

Resolved, That we tender our sympathy to Mrs. Marcy in view of the family affliction which detains her from our Convention.

The report of the Bureau for Utah was submitted by the Secretary, Mrs. B. S. Potter. At the close of this report, Mrs. Potter called attention to the presence of Mrs. Angie F. Newman and the Rev. T. C. Iliff, D. D., Superintendent of Missions under the Missionary Society, and asked that they might each have five minutes to speak to the Convention.

Mrs. Newman requested that Dr. Iliff be given all the time at disposal for Utah. Granted.

The Rev. Dr. Iliff then made an inspiring address. He said, in part:

"Through the influence of your Society, sentiment has been made looking to the overthrow of that awful ecclesiasticism which governs that and adjacent States. You persisted until the death-knell of polygamy was sounded; until the white banner of home now waves over that city. Your first President saw the need of schools, and you planted your Lucy Webb Hayes school-houses all over that State. You have blessed the children and improved the condition of the home, and these improved conditions have brought about a better Americanism, which has begun to assert itself. This bids fair to make Utah, as other States, American at the polls, in the schools, and in the homes, and her future is assured. When the time comes we must step aside with denominational schools, and give way to the American public school. American patriotism must be taught those children until it shall twine around their hearts with not merely enthusiasm, but with love and reverence deep and unchanging."

Dr. Iliff spoke of the Gospel Tent as an evangelizing agency, and said that they were now in need of another. On motion of Mrs. Aiken, this request was referred to the Bureau for Utah. The report was then adopted.

Mrs. H. I. Kinsey pledged a new flag for Davis Hall, Salt Lake City.

The President read a letter from Bishop McCabe, encouraging us in our work, and suggesting that if a penny a day could be given by our Churches for missions, we would then realize $10,000,000 a year.

Mrs. Goodman took charge of the noontide prayer service, and presented the thought of thank-offering-day, while Mrs. Williams urged the claims of the Emergency Fund. She believed the thought was inspired by the Master, and that if we co-operated with him we were sure of the whole $20,000.

The hour was one long to be remembered, because of the presence of the Holy Spirit.

On motion, adjourned to meet at two P. M.

Saturday Afternoon.

THE President, Mrs. Fisk, resumed the chair at two o'clock. The devotional exercises were in charge of Mrs. W. G. McDowell, who read from the first chapter of Joshua and the forty-sixth Psalm. "Stand up, stand up, for Jesus," was sung, and prayer was offered by Mrs. J. E. Gilbert.

The Minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Woodruff, and adopted.

Mrs. Fisk presented an earnest invitation from Dr. Iliff, that the Annual Meeting of the General Board of Managers be held in Salt Lake City in 1898. Appreciation of the invitation was expressed, and, on motion of Mrs. Aiken, it was referred to the Committee on Place of Meeting.

The report of the E. E. Marcy Home, Chicago, Ill., was read by Mrs. K. V. Falley, and, on motion, adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Fisk stated that she had visited the Marcy Home in Chicago, and was much interested in its work.

The report of the Committe on Thank-offering was given by Miss Van Marter, Chairman, who urged that the Secretaries ask largely for literature, and that the day be universally observed by the Auxiliaries. On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

Miss Van Marter also gave the report of the Leaflet Committee, of which she is Chairman. On motion, adopted. (See Report.)

The report of the Bureau for Young People's Work was submitted by the Secretary, Mrs. S. Hazlett, and, on motion, adopted. (See Report.)

When the report of the Bureau for Systematic Beneficence was called, Mrs. Aiken stated that Mrs. Mather had resigned the secretaryship during the year on account of ill-health. The General Executive Board had reluctantly accepted her resignation, but a successor had not been appointed, consequently there was no report.

Mrs. McCabe, our intelligent advocate of systematic beneficence, read a carefully-prepared paper upon the subject, greatly to the edification of all. Time was called during the reading, but, on motion of Mrs. Potter, was extended until the paper was completed. This was, on motion, ordered printed in the Annual Report. (See Paper.)

On motion, a vote of thanks was tendered Mrs. McCabe for her able presentation of the subject.

The Convention joined in singing "All hail the power of Jesus' name," with the chorus, "Blessed be the Name."

Mrs. Rust stated that Mrs. Miller, our missionary, would remain in the East, possibly six months, and would respond to invitations to represent the work. Mrs. Rust moved that her itinerary be put into the hands of a committee, of which Mrs. T. P. Frost shall be chairman, with power to choose her assistants. Carried.

Mrs. Frost named as her assistants, Mrs. W. A. Goodman, Jr., Mrs. S. W. Floyd, Mrs. J. A. Lantry, and Mrs. F. A. Arter.

It was decided that the expense of travel of Mrs. Miller from last appointment be met from the Contingent Fund of the Conference calling her, or from a collection taken at the meeting.

Miss Van Marter asked to be excused from the Committee on Resolutions, and that Mrs. Thompson take her place. Request granted.

On motion, Mrs. Hazlett was added to the Committee on Resolutions.

Mrs. Herron, Chairman of the Committee on Missionary Candidates, submitted a report, which, on motion, was adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. E. B. Green, Secretary of the Bureau for Local Work, presented a report, which, on motion, was adopted. (See Report.)

The time for the communion service having arrived, the President stated that she had invited Mrs. Van Benscoten to have charge of the hour, but illness having prevented her attendance, she had asked Dr. Richardson, pastor of the Church, to take charge. Seven ministers assisted.

After communion-service, Dr. Richardson invited the Rev. Dr. Rust to lead the testimony hour. The memory of this delightful season will long abide with all who participated.

After benediction by Rev. Dr. Iliff, the meeting adjourned until Monday morning, nine o'clock.

Sunday Afternoon.

THE Young People's meeting was held in Fayette Street Church at three o'clock, Mrs. Samuel Hazlett presiding. Recitations were given by Miss Addie Spurrier and Washington Scott. A vocal solo, "Song of Thanksgiving," was rendered by Miss Emma Zinkhan.

Addresses were given by Mrs. I. D. Jones, on "Who are our Queen Esthers?" Miss Martha Van Marter, on "Work for Home Mission Bands;" and Mrs. Mary Fisk Park, on "Our Mother's Jewels."

Sunday Evening.

THE Anniversary of the Society was held in Fayette Street Methodist Episcopal Church, Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk presiding.

The fine quartet choir of the Church, under the direction of Mr. R. E. Childs, rendered "The Heavens are Declaring," by Beethoven.

The devotional exercises were conducted by the pastor, Rev. C. H. Richardson, D. D., assisted by Rev. Samuel Wilson.

The hymn, "Watchman, tell us of the night," was sung.

The President, Mrs. Fisk, delivered a brief address of great encouragement to the workers, in that the eleven Southern Homes she visited during the year rejoiced over the conversion of all save one of the three thousand girls instructed.

The Treasurer, Mrs. Delia Lathrop Williams, presented a summary of receipts and disbursements, and, in view of the inability of the Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. R. S. Rust, to submit an abstract of her report, gave interesting information in regard to the work of the Society.

The hymn, "Our country's voice is pleading," was sung.

The President, Mrs. Fisk, announced that, owing to the sudden but not serious illness of Mrs. Jane Bancroft Robinson, who was to have delivered the Anniversary Address, she herself would read it. (See Address.)

The doxology was sung, and the benediction pronounced by the Rev. R. S. Rust, D. D.

Monday Morning.

THE President, Mrs. Fisk, resumed the chair at nine o'clock.

Mrs. H. G. Marshall, in charge of the devotional exercises, read the fifty-eighth chapter of Isaiah. Bishop Bowman led in a fervent prayer. "Take the name of Jesus with you" was sung.

By common consent, the order of the day,—the election of officers,—was delayed until a larger number should be present.

Bishop Bowman expressed his pleasure in looking over the Conven-

tion, and questioned whether the Society realized the magnitude of the work it is doing. It was a constant surprise to himself. Everywhere he went, testimony was given that the members of the two great Woman's Societies were among the best supporters of their Church work.

The Minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Potter, and adopted.

The report of Louisiana Conference was given by the Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. D. M. Walker, and, on motion, adopted (see Report), after Mrs. Goodman called attention to the gift of a piece of land for the location of an Industrial Home reported by Mrs. Walker for the Louisiana Conference. This matter, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Finance and Mission Fields.

Mrs. Rust and Mrs. Hedges spoke of their visit to this Conference, and of the excellent work being done.

The report of West Texas Conference was read by its Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. E. S. Spriggs, and, on motion, adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Murphy and Mrs. Rust bore testimony to the self-sacrificing character of the work done by Mrs. Spriggs.

By request, Mrs. Spriggs sang "One more river to cross," and Mrs. Walker, "The Lord will provide," to the great delight of the audience.

Mrs. Fisk introduced Bishop Cranston, who said that it gave him great pleasure to speak of the beneficent work being done for our pastors on the Western frontier, and he would say "God bless you."

The hymn, "A charge to keep I have," was sung.

Mrs. Williams was called to the chair, and the order of the day was taken up.

Mrs. Williams appointed the following ladies as the first set of tellers: Mesdames Goodman, Bickley, Green, and Everett. Second set of tellers: Mesdames Brownell, Adams, Hazlett, and Evans.

The informal ballot for President was then ordered.

Mrs. Aiken nominated Mrs. J. E. Gilbert as Assistant Secretary, in the place of Miss Van Marter, who was obliged to return home. The nomination was confirmed.

Mrs. Tomkinson desired to know whether Secretaries of Bureaus had a vote in this body, and was answered in the negative.

The second set of tellers was called, and the informal ballot for Corresponding Secretary was ordered.

The report of the New England Conference was read by the Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. S. W. Floyd, and, on motion, adopted. (See Report.)

The first set of tellers announced the informal ballot for President, as follows: Total number of votes cast, 81; for Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk, 80. On motion, the informal ballot was made the formal ballot, and the Recording Secretary, Mrs. Aiken, was instructed to cast the ballot of the Convention for Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk as President of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church for the ensuing year.

Mrs. Fisk was presented to the Convention by Mrs. Williams, and, on resuming the chair, said, "The best there is in me shall be given to the Society."

The second set of tellers reported number of ballots cast for Corresponding Secretary, 74; Mrs. Rust received 74. On motion, the informal ballot was made the formal ballot, and the Recording Secretary, with an expression of gratitude to God for the spared life of Mrs. Rust, cast the ballot for Mrs. R. S. Rust as the Corresponding Secretary of the Society.

In response, Mrs. Rust said she had given seventeen years of service to this Society, and had been absent from only one Annual Meeting, the last. Twice during this interval she had gone down into the Shadow of Death, and was grateful for the prayers which, she believed, were instrumental in her preservation, and for the sympathy and love so freely bestowed upon her by all her associates in this work. If never permitted to meet with them again, she wanted them to know "It is all right."

Mrs. Williams said when she visited Mrs. Rust in the hospital, she found the place aglow with an exhibition of patience, heroism, and faith, and the beloved Corresponding Secretary waiting the arrival of her assistant, to resume her work. Mrs. Williams desired the ladies to know how, by the grace of God, our women endure, and will be ready to die, if need be.

Mrs. Wodruff led in singing, "No, not one."

The tellers announced the informal ballot for Recording Secretary: 81 votes were cast, of which 79 were for Mrs. F. A. Aiken. On motion of Mrs. Jones, the informal ballot was made the formal one, and in casting the vote for Mrs. Aiken as Recording Secretary, Mrs. Rust expressed her great pleasure in this token of appreciation of the long years of service given by Mrs. Aiken to this Society.

The informal ballot for Treasurer was ordered.

The reports of the Minnesota, presented by Mrs. John Taylor, and of the New England Southern Conferences, by Mrs. J. A. Southard, were, on motion, adopted. (See Reports.)

The informal ballot for Vice-Presidents was ordered.

The tellers reported the informal ballot for Treasurer; 82 votes were cast. Mrs. Williams received 82. On motion of Mrs. Tomkinson, the informal ballot was made the formal one, and Mrs. Aiken, who could find no words to emphasize the unanimous expression of the vote, cast the ballot of the Convention for Mrs. D. L. Williams. The Chautauqua salute was awarded Mrs. Williams, and she invited the further co-operation of the ladies in securing the $20,000 for the Emergency Fund.

On recommendation of the General Executive Board, the nominations for Honorary Vice-Presidents were confirmed. (See page 2.) Mrs. J. W. Mendenhall and Mrs. P. L. Bennett were added to the list. Mrs. Bennett was invited to the platform, introduced to the Convention, and most cordially greeted.

The informal ballot was ordered for the Managers.

On motion of Mrs. Hickman, the summary of the distribution of funds given by Mrs. Williams at the Anniversary meeting was ordered published in the Annual Report.

On motion of Mrs. Kent, the price of the Memorial Volume of Mrs. Lucy Webb Hayes was fixed at fifty cents.

The tellers reported the ballot for Vice-Presidents, as follows, and the informal ballot was made the formal one: number of votes cast, 81. Mrs. J. B. Robinson received 81; Mrs. H. C. McCabe, 79; Mrs. W. C. Herron, 79; Mrs. Bishop Walden, 78; Mrs. F. S. Hoyt, 72.

Mrs. Tomkinson asked for some explanation of constitutional law. The President called upon Mrs. Rust to reply. The questions were: first, "Do Bureau Secretaries and the members of the Advisory Board have a vote in this body?" Mrs. Rust answered, "They do not." Second, "When the Constitution, as revised, shall be confirmed by the next General Conference, will it give to them a vote, or only a seat and voice in this body?" Answer: "They will have a right to a vote." Question: "Will they have a right to a vote in the General Executive Board?" Answer: "They will have a place in its counsels, but not a vote." Fourth: "Is the new Constitution pending confirmation by the General Conference still open for further amendments?" Answer: "It might be, but only at a session of the Board of Managers held in the State of Ohio."

On motion, the consideration of the opening of work at Key West, Florida, was referred to the Committee on Finance and Mission Fields.

Mrs. Aiken submitted a letter of greeting from Mrs. F. S. Hoyt, and instruction was given that a suitable reply be sent on behalf of the Society.

The report of New Hampshire Conference was made by the Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. A. T. Wells, and, on motion, adopted. (See Report.)

An invitation from the Superintendent, Henry M. Hurd, M. D., to visit the Johns Hopkins Hospital, was accepted with thanks.

Mrs. Williams stated that she had in hand a note from Mrs. M. R. Crawford, who is ill in a hospital in this city, having been stricken on her way to the Convention. She added that this sister had been a tower of strength to the Central Pennsylvania Conference, having by her own personal effort raised during the year the sum of $150 for the Emergency Fund. Mrs. Crawford expressed her loving appreciation and thanks for the lovely flowers sent her, and more than all for the prayers of the Convention, closing with "The Everlasting Arms are beneath me."

Mrs. C. B. Dickinson led in prayer at the noon hour, and the hymn, "O, for the faith that will not shrink," was sung.

On motion, the meeting adjourned until two P. M. The benediction was pronounced by the Rev. L. B. Wilson, D. D.

Monday Afternoon.

THE meeting was opened by singing, "When I survey the wondrous cross," and prayer was offered by Mrs. Emily C. Miller, M. D.

Mrs. Fisk occupied the chair, and the Minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Albright, and adopted.

Mrs. Aiken said she had incidentally learned that our Corresponding Secretary from the West Texas Conference, Mrs. Spriggs, had, on Sunday, received $5 for subscriptions to our valuable papers.

Mrs. Jane Bancroft Robinson, Secretary of the Bureau for Deaconess Work, stated that she would take time to give only a synopsis of her report. After the presentation of each Home, she called upon a deaconess or some member of the directing Board, to speak in its behalf. On motion, these reports were adopted. (See Reports.)

At this point the tellers were ready to report on the election of Managers. Whole number of votes cast, 80. Mrs. W. M. Ampt received 80; Mrs. J. L. Whetstone, 79; Mrs. G. H. Thompson, 79; Mrs. Anna Kent, 79; Mrs. E. L. Albright, 79; Mrs. J. W. Gosling, 78; Mrs. M. T. Carey, 78; Mrs. W. A. Goodman, Jr., 77; Mrs. I. D. Jones, 76; Mrs. W. L. Boswell, 76; Mrs. James Dale, 76; Mrs. Lewis Curts, 76.

The Rev. Dr. Ames, Superintendent of the National Training-school; Miss Ida H. Rogers, its Preceptress; and Rev. L. B. Wilson, D. D., were invited to seats on the platform.

The Rev. L. H. Wilson, D. D., addressed a few impressive words, showing that zeal without knowledge can never win the world to Christ. It is a great mistake to think that anybody can deal with poverty, sin, and sickness. Besides natural abilities along these lines, an education for the work is absolutely necessary.

Miss Alice M. Wells, of Washington, D. C., rendered most tenderly, with autoharp accompaniment, a solo, "My Mother's Bible."

The Rev. A. H. Ames, D. D., submitted a report of the National Training-school, in which he showed that the present building is insufficient to meet the needs of the school, and that one adapted to its efficiency might be secured at the cost of $30,000.

Mrs. Robinson spoke to the report, pleading for the enlargement of the National Training-school, that she desired a pledge of support in the effort for raising $10,000 for the purchase of additional land in Washington City.

Mrs. Angie F. Newman presented the following resolution, believing that the roses of our affection should be presented to our dear Mrs. R. S. Rust:

Resolved, That in pursuance of the plan of Mrs. Jane Bancroft Robinson, we hereby pledge ourselves to the construction of a new building at Washington.

Resolved, 2. That, as a token of our confidence and great affection for

our beloved Corresponding Secretary, the new building shall be named Rust Hall.

Resolved, 3. That we proceed here and now to pledge the $1,000 necessary to the naming of this building.

Mrs. Kent favored this project. Mrs. Roach testified to the value of the Training-school, and pledged the Baltimore Conference to the support of the requests.

Mrs. Minard, Mrs. Herron, and Mrs. Murphy voiced the sentiment of the body in earnest words of approval. Dr. Ames said he had $50 in his hand for the naming of Rust Hall. Mrs. Robinson said she could see $750 at hand toward the purchase of a site, with $500 pledged from Michigan Conference.

Mrs. Fisk suggested that an expression be given by the body, which rapidly took such material form as to realize in pledges for Rust Hall $1,560, with $100 from Dr. Rust toward the purchase of a site.

The list of Conference pledges is as follows: Mrs. Angie F. Newman, $25 for each of the three Nebraska Conferences; Troy, $50; Baltimore, $100; Newark, $100; Northern New York, $25; North Ohio, $25; Wyoming, $100; New Jersey, $100; Iowa, $100; Central New York, $100; Indiana, $50; North Indiana, $50; Philadelphia, $100; Central Ohio, $25; Genesee, $25; New York, $25; Wilmington, $50; Erie, $25; Cincinnati, $50; New York East, $25; Illinois, $25; Central Illinois, $25; Central Pennsylvania, $10; Utah, by Dr. Iliff, $25; Albion District, Mich., $25; Cleveland District, East Ohio Conference, $25. Personal pledges from Dr. Ames, $50; Mrs. Griffin, $25; Mrs. J. I. Boswell, $25; Mrs. James Dale, $25; Mrs. H. C. Hedges, $25; Miss Elizabeth A. Scott, $25; Mrs. Judge McDowell, $50; Mrs. D. B. Street, $25; Mrs. J. C. Tasker, $25; Mrs. W. C. Herron, $25; Miss Mary L. Gilbert, $25; Mrs. J. P. Negus, $25; Mrs. Jane Bancroft Robinson, $50; Mrs. William Burris, $25.

The Convention then rose, and sang with much feeling, "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow."

A note was passed by Mrs. Rust to the President, giving her permission to say anything or nothing concerning the action of this body in proposing to erect Rust Hall. The silence and tears of Mrs. Rust were evidence of her appreciation.

Mrs. James Dale believed that the Hall should be a tribute to both Dr. and Mrs. Rust, and Mrs. Rust acknowledged the invaluable assistance Dr. Rust had given her in the prosecution of the work.

On motion, the report of Dr. Ames was adopted, and its recommendations for appropriation referred to the Committee on Finance and Mission Fields. (See Report.)

Miss Rogers, Preceptress of the National Training-school, presented the great need of the Home for bedding, table-linen, cutlery, etc.

Mrs. T. L. Tomkinson, Chairman of the Committee on Place of Meeting, stated that invitations had been received for the next Annual Meeting from Minneapolis. Evanston, Salt Lake City, and Omaha. Mrs.

Roach spoke in favor of Evanston. Mrs. Newman favored Omaha, but urged acceptance of invitation from Salt Lake City. Mrs. Taylor pleaded most earnestly and eloquently for Minneapolis.

A standing vote was taken, which resulted in a majority vote for Minneapolis. On motion, this was made the unanimous choice of the Convention.

On motion of Mrs. Aiken, a vote of thanks was tendered the other cities, with the hope that the invitation may be accepted at some future time.

The Special Committee appointed to draft resolutions respecting the death of the Rev. Newell S. Albright, D. D., reported, through Mrs. A. D. Knapp, as follows:

WHEREAS, The Rev. Newell S. Albright, D. D., Professor of Historical and Biblical Theology in the Iliff School of Theology, Denver, Colorado, having recently been called away by death; therefore,

Resolved, That we record our appreciation of the faithful service which he rendered our Society at Asheville, N. C., and of the inspiring words which he addressed to us when assembled in Convention at Columbus, O.

Resolved, That we express to Mrs. Albright, so long a member of this body, our heartfelt sympathy and tender love, and ask for her God's sustaining grace in this bereavement.

On motion, adjourned to meet in Grace Methodist Episcopal Church at 7.30 P. M. The doxology was sung, and the benediction was pronounced by the Rev. R. S. Rust, D. D.

Monday Evening.

THE Deaconess Anniversary was held in Grace Methodist Episcopal Church, Mrs. Fisk presiding. The "Star-spangled Banner" was given as a solo and quartet, with inspiring effect.

Rev. H. S. France led in prayer. The quartet of Grace Church most beautifully rendered "Jesus, Lover of my soul."

Mrs. Fisk introduced Mayor Hooper, who was glad to welcome so much culture, refinement, and piety as is represented by our Society. He appreciated the mission of the Society, and the great good done by the deaconesses.

Miss Kirstine Peterson, of the Baltimore Deaconess Home, spoke of the Hospital, Fresh Air, and Kindergarten Work.

Mrs. Helen Evans, of the same Home, gave a graphic account of the house-to-house visitation, the nurse-deaconess, and House of Refuge work, and sewing-classes.

Mrs. Jane Bancroft Robinson, in a forceful address, showed the deaconess work to be a sociological factor between those who need and those who have the means to supply the need.

The choir then rendered, most beautifully, "Blessed are ye who sow beside all waters."

Bishop John P. Newman delivered an address on "The Deaconess Work as Applied Christianity." He stated that the present conditions of suffering humanity have been brought about by transgression of the Divine law. This can only be arrested by the application of two great principles, love toward God, and love toward our fellow-man. The idea of Wesley was "Holiness unto God, and philanthropy unto men." Fifty years ago Methodism saw the second thought of Wesley, and out of that view has grown our great missionary enterprises. We must not only see the rags of the beggar, but the immortality of the soul. We must not only give relief, but we must strike at the root, which is sin. You have grasped the twofold thought, and more; you have brought about the consecration of womanhood for the alleviation of suffering. Your thought is the sanctification of womanhood for the elevation of humanity everywhere, and the redemption of the race.

The Rev. J. St. Clair Neal, D. D., presented the needs of the Baltimore Deaconess Home, and subscriptions were solicited for this special work.

On motion, adjourned to 10.30 Tuesday morning.

The doxology was sung, and the benediction was pronounced by the Rev. George Miller, D. D., pastor of the Church.

Tuesday Morning.

THE President, Mrs. Fisk, occupied the chair, and the meeting opened with singing "He leadeth me." Mrs. Fisk read the ninety-first Psalm, and one stanza of "O for a thousand tongues," was sung. Mrs. Kannard Chandler offered a fervent prayer, and the devotional exercises closed with the singing of three stanzas of "From every stormy wind that blows."

The Minutes of Monday afternoon session were read by Mrs. J. E. Gilbert, and adopted. The Minutes of Monday evening session were presented by Mrs. Woodruff, and adopted.

Miss Frances A. Fish was elected Editor of the Annual Report; Mrs. H. C. McCabe, Editor of *Woman's Home Missions*; and Miss Martha Van Marter, Editor of *Children's Home Missions*; Miss Mary Belle Evans, Publisher of *Woman's* and *Children's Home Missions*.

Mrs. George H. Thompson, Mrs. James Dale, and Mr. Richard Dymond were elected Auditors.

The Advisory Board and the names of Bureau Secretaries were presented by the Recording Secretary, as recommended by the General Executive Board, and confirmed. (See pages 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10.)

On motion, adjourned to go into Committee of the Whole on Finance and Mission Fields.

After this Committee arose, about ten minutes of twelve, Mrs. Roach requested that the ladies who had filled pulpits on Sunday in the interests of our work be given an opportunity to report with reference to the known results of these meetings. Granted.

Mrs. Fisk stated that while enjoying the hospitality of the chief citizen of Baltimore, Mayor Hooper, he asked, "Who are those young ladies who so quietly glide about the church?" The answer, in the presence of the Convention, was the most cordial introduction of the Misses Grace C. Ward, Nellie M. Keout, Lavina Allen, and Ada Kennard, pages, gracefully and faithfully performing the duties of the hour, and made the recipients of the gratitude of the Convention through the appreciative words of Mrs. Fisk.

Mrs. I. D. Jones announced that these promising young ladies, with others, would be organized into a Mission Circle this afternoon.

After a precious season of song, prayer, and testimony, the session adjourned until two P. M.

Tuesday Afternoon.

THE Convention opened at two o'clock, with the President, Mrs. Fisk, in the chair.

The devotional exercises were in charge of Miss Cummings, who read a selection from the eighth chapter of Deuteronomy. Mrs. W. H. Pearce led in prayer, and "God bless our native land" was sung.

The Minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Aiken, and adopted.

Mrs. Robinson stated that she had placed communications in regard to the opening of work in Honolulu in the hands of Mrs. Park, and hoped that they might be heard at a later time in the meeting.

As a tangible proof of the interest created by the meeting, Mrs. Park announced a gift from a friend of $20 for Rest Home, Ocean Grove, N. J.; $60 for Watts de Peyster Home; $60 for the Emergency Fund, and $15 for the Oriental work.

The report of the Special Committee on *Woman's Home Missions* was submitted by Mrs. Everett, and, on motion of Mrs. Roach, was considered item by item. Items 1 to 8 were adopted without discussion. The discussion on the ninth item resulted in instructions to the publisher to follow the practice of other publications in the matter of the renewal of subscriptions by printed form, and not cut off too rapidly the subscribers who fail to renew subscriptions on the expiration of the year. The remaining items were adopted. Inquiry was made as to the continuance of club rates, and it was decided that the practice of giving one extra paper for each ten subscribers would be continued. On motion, the report was adopted as a whole. (See Report.)

Mrs. Jones presented the following:

Resolved, That we have a tabulated report of our Homes and schools printed in *Woman's Home Missions*. This report to state the date of establishment, value of the Homes and schools, number of teachers and missionaries employed, number of scholars in each, etc.

On motion of Mrs. Williams, adopted.

Mrs. C. W. Gallagher was made Chairman of a Committee to prepare such reports.

Mrs. Kinsey gave an intensely interesting account of the beginning and progress of the work among the Chinese and Japanese on the Pacific Coast. The report was adopted, and ordered published. (See Report.)

On motion of Mrs. Hazlett, the Anniversary Address of Mrs. Robinson, with that made by her at the Deaconess Anniversary, was ordered published in the Annual Report.

The report of the Corresponding Secretary of the New York Conference, Mrs. J. W. Campbell, was presented, and, on motion, adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Kent moved that, in recognition of the gift of $1,000 from Mrs. Robinson on Rest Home property at Ocean Grove, N. J., we have the name, BANCROFT REST HOME FOR MISSIONARIES AND DEACONESSES, adopted by this body. Carried.

Mrs. Rust made a statement in regard to the profit on the sales of Aunt Jemima Baking Powder by various Auxiliaries. Two hundred Auxiliaries had sold 3,624 cans, bringing to the Society a profit of $4,348.80. If 1,500 Auxiliaries would make similar effort, the Society might realize from it no less a sum than $30,000 or $40,000.

The following telegram was received from Mrs. Beiler, Secretary of the Bureau for Alaska: "Read for Alaska First Corinthians, sixteenth chapter, ninth and twenty-fourth verses."

Mrs. Herron was called to the chair, and Mrs. Fisk moved that the Convention adjourn until 7.30 P. M., that the Committee of the Whole on Finance and Mission Fields might continue its work, and the motion prevailed.

Tuesday Evening.

AFTER a season of song service, the President, Mrs. Fisk, explained that it was the custom of the Society, at its Annual Meeting, to ask for a collection at one of its public services to help defray the expense incident to the care of the church entertaining the Convention, and credit this amount to the Church Auxiliary. This generous collection, when taken, enabled the Society to constitute the Rev. C. H. Richardson and wife life members of the Society.

The Minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Albright, and adopted.

Bishop FitzGerald delivered an address on the advancement of woman, which was listened to with marked attention. He rejoiced in this Society, because it is successfully managing its affairs. While its work is done in the homeland, the effect is felt all around the world. Its future will be a great one, and God will give abundant fruit for your labor. Every woman in our Church should join this Society as a thank-offering to God for the wonderful blessings he has given her. May God bless the Woman's Home Missionary Society, and give it such results as can not be measured in time or in eternity!

Bishop Cranston was introduced, with the request that he speak for the Emergency Fund. After a few pleasantries, and a hearty commendation of the work of the Society for the ministers on the Pacific Coast, he invited the Rev. T. C. Iliff, D. D., whom he introduced as the Utah cyclone, and requested him to inspire the people to give to the Emergency Fund. The following pledges of more than one thousand dollars rapidly followed:

Mr. G. W. M. Crook, $10, paid; Bishop Cranston, $5, paid; Mrs. Fisk, $5, paid; Mrs. I. D. Jones, $10; Mrs. Carey, $5, paid; Miss Mary L. Gilbert, $5; Mrs. Park, $5, paid; Mrs. W. F. Day, $5, paid; Mrs. Gallagher, $5, paid; Maine Conference, $50; Mrs. Carhart, $5; Mrs. J. W. Campbell, $5; Mr. A. Roszel Cathcart, $5, paid; Mrs. J. W. Kinnear, $5; Mrs. D. A. Minard, for Asbury Auxiliary, Buffalo, N. Y., $5; Mrs. A. T. Wells, $5, paid; Mrs. Daniel Onstott. $5, paid; New Hampshire Conference, $10; Baltimore Conference, $100; Young Ladies' Circle, Fayette Street Church, $5; Mrs. Emily L. Lertch, $5, paid; Cincinnati Conference, $25; Miss Mollie Webber, $5, paid; Miss Umber, $5, paid; Miss Hannah Crook, $1, paid; Cash, $1; Cash, $1; Mrs. Baldwin, $1, paid; Friend, $2; Mrs. Roach, $6; Mrs. Park, for her grandchild, $1; Mrs. Smythe, $1, paid; Mrs. Fisk, for her great-grandchild, $1, paid; Mrs. Aiken, $5; Mrs. Albright, $5; New England Conference, $50; Mrs. Tomkinson, $20, paid; Mrs. W. L. Boswell, $5; Mrs. C. T. Wesley, $1, paid; Friend, $5; East Ohio Conference, $20; New England Southern, $25; Northwest Iowa, $25; Mrs. G. H. Thompson, $5; Mrs. James Dale, $5; Bishop Cranston, for W. C. B. Kelley, $5, paid; Mrs. Mary Gere Thomas, per Mrs. H. C. McCabe, $5, paid; Mrs. Paist, $1, paid; George Crook Baldwin, $1, paid; Mrs. Williams, for seven grandchildren, $7; Mrs. Kent, for grandchild, $1, paid; Mrs. Carey, for two grandchildren, $2, paid; Fayette Street Young Ladies' Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, $5; New Hampshire, $10; Mrs. Roach, for sainted father, $1; Gordova Slarrow, $1, paid; Mr. Schofield, $2, paid; Mr. Stevens, $1, paid; Elizabeth Day Burr, $2, paid; Frederic District, Baltimore Conference, $5; Mrs. Alonza Collin, $5, paid; Mrs. D. B. Street, $5, paid; New England Conference, $25; New York Conference, $25; Onarga, Ill., Auxiliary, per Mrs. Hull, $10; Chautauqua, N. Y., $20, $5 paid; Mrs. J. M. Slarrow, $5; Genesee Conference, $25; New York, $35; New York East, $25; Mrs. Falley, $5, paid; Mrs. Brownell, $5, paid; Mrs. Laura Finch Barnard, $5, paid; North Indiana, $25;

Mrs. Arter, $5, paid; Mrs. Edward Lewis, $5, paid; Friend, $5; Mrs. James McIntosh, $5; Mrs. A. R. Timmons, $5; Mrs. J. L. Trisler, $5; Mrs. D. L. Williams, $5; Wilmington, $25; Michigan, $25; Mrs. Beaden Kopf, $5; Mrs. W. C. Herron, $5; Mrs. J. W. Gosling, $5; Miss Alma Matthews, $5; New Jersey, $25; Mrs. Richmond, $5, paid; Mrs. Samuel A. Wilson, $5, paid; Mrs. James E. Gilbert, $5; Mrs. E. C. Miller, for Indian women, $5; Indiana, $25; Mrs. Bunyan, $5; Central Ohio, $20; A Friend, $5; Mrs. Fisk, in honor of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Richardson, $10, paid; Mrs. T. C. Iliff, $5; A Friend, $5; Mrs. Buckingham, $5; Mrs. C. H. Richardson, in honor of her guest, Mrs. Fisk, $5; East Ohio, $20; Cash, $1; Cash, $1; A Friend, $1, paid; Mrs. Levi Master, $1, paid; Two Friends, $2, paid; Mrs. R. E. Bryan, $1; Cash, $2; for Mother-in-law, $1, paid; three gentlemen, $3, paid; Mrs. I. D. Jones, for her two children, $2; Temperance Friend, Cincinnati, $1, paid; the Choir, Fayette Street Church, $5, paid; A Friend, $1, paid.

Mrs. Herron moved a vote of thanks to Bishop FitzGerald for his able address. Carried.

An expression of the gratitude of the Society to Bishop Cranston and Dr. Iliff for their timely assistance was heartily given.

Mrs. Roach moved that we make Bishop Cranston, Bishop FitzGerald, and Rev. Dr. Iliff Honorary Patrons, and Rev. Dr. Richardson Honorary Manager of our Society with the money so generously contributed this evening for the Emergency Fund. Carried.

"My country, 't is of thee," was sung, with much spirit.

The meeting adjourned until 10.30 Wednesday morning, and the benediction was pronounced by Bishop FitzGerald.

Wednesday Morning.

THE meeting was opened with singing "Forever here my rest shall be." Prayer was offered by Mrs. Williams, and "Never farther than the cross" was sung. Mrs. Fisk occupied the chair.

The Minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Potter, and adopted.

A petition from the Finlanders in Minnesota was, by motion, referred to the Bureau for Immigrants.

Mrs. Rust submitted a petition from the Secretary of Home Missionary work among the Germans, which, on motion, was referred to the General Executive Board.

Mrs. Rust also presented a recommendation that a small collection of hymns, accompanied by a small map, showing the location of our Homes, for use in our various missionary gatherings, be published. On motion, referred to the consideration of the Leaflet Committee.

Mrs. Hickman submitted the following, which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That we advise our Auxiliaries to send forward their scholarship money as early in the year as possible.

Mrs. W. H. Daniel stated that two delegates conducted services at the Independent Methodist Church Sunday morning, and the pastor stationed two young men at the door to receive voluntary offerings. This money went into the treasury of the Missionary Society of this Church; but at a called meeting of its ladies it was voted to transfer it to the treasury of our Society, with the suggestion that it go to the Baltimore Deaconess Home.

Rev. S. L. Beiler, D. D., Vice-Chancellor of the American University, at Washington, D. C., was introduced to the Convention by the President, Mrs. Fisk. He expressed words of earnest sympathy with, and a hearty Godspeed to our work, and stated that Bishop McCabe, at the Western Danish Conference, had appointed a presiding elder for Alaska. Mrs. Beiler was expected to reach Washington on next Saturday.

Mrs. Fisk requested that he convey to Mrs. Beiler our words of welcome and greeting on her arrival.

Mrs. Roach announced that it was the desire of Washington friends to give Mrs. Beiler a reception before she left for Alaska; but at Mrs. Beiler's request, this was postponed until she should return. The reception will be given in Metropolitan Church, Washington, next Monday evening, and all ladies who can arrange to remain are cordially invited to be present.

In calling the roll of Conferences, it appeared that some Conferences were not personally represented, but had sent reports. On motion, the reports of the Secretaries present were given preference.

Reports of Conference Secretaries were presented as follows: Iowa, by Mrs. L. G. Murphy; North Indiana, Mrs. L. H. Bunyan; New York East, Mrs. C. L. Carhart; North Ohio, Mrs. A. D. Knapp; Northern New York, Mrs. I. L. Hunt; Newark, Mrs. Charles Hill; Northwest Iowa, Mrs. J. P. Negus; Erie, Miss Cummings; Cincinnati, Mrs. H. G. Marshall; Oregon, Mrs. Bishop Cranston; Ohio, Mrs. D. S. Kellicott; Troy, Mrs. E. W. Simpson; Philadelphia, Mrs. M. B. Stevens; Pittsburg, Mrs. J. W. Kinnear; Rock River, Mrs. E. B. Falley; Central Pennsylvania, Mrs. T. L. Tomkinson; Wyoming, Mrs. George B. Kulp; Wilmington, Mrs. E. L. Weldin; Virginia, Mrs. J. W. Bechtel; East Ohio, Mrs. Hickman; Central New York, Mrs. W. A. Brownell; and Vermont, Mrs. C. S. Richmond. On motion, these reports were accepted. (See Reports.)

Mrs. May Leonard Woodruff sang, by request, three verses of "When the roll is called up yonder," the audience joining in the chorus.

Mrs. Aiken stated that the shower of greenbacks which fell upon us

yesterday, had been continued this morning through Mrs. Albright, who had received pledges from the New England Conference amounting to $180, and New England Southern $150, for Browning Home, Camden, S. C.; also a pledge from the New England Conference to furnish the kitchen in Allen Home, Asheville, N. C.

The report of the Bureau for Supplies was submitted by the Secretary, Mrs. James Dale, and, on motion, adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Bishop Cranston, from the richness of her observations in the West, stated that the half had not been told in the report of the Bureau for Supplies.

Mrs. William Burris conducted the noontide service of prayer, calling our attention to the promises of God, and asking for testimonies from his children. "Children of the Heavenly King" was sung, and, by request, Mrs. Woodruff sang, in an impressive manner, "I will go where you want me to go, dear Lord," the Convention joining in the chorus. Mrs. J. C. Tasker closed the service with an impressive prayer.

On motion, adjourned until two P. M. The benediction was pronounced by the Rev. S. L. Beiler, D. D.

Wednesday Afternoon.

THE meeting was called to order by the President, Mrs. Fisk. Mrs. D. C. Vance had charge of the devotional exercises, reading the third chapter of Ephesians. The desire of the body, as it approached the business of the afternoon, was voiced in singing "More love to Thee, O Christ."

The Minutes of the morning session were read by Mrs. Gilbert, corrected, and adopted.

By consent, the action of the morning in giving place to Conference Secretaries present, was waived, and Mrs. Kinsey was invited to read the report of Southern California Conference, Mrs. E. W. Caswell, Secretary. The report of Central Illinois Conference was read by Mrs. Elizabeth Hull; Detroit, Mrs. W. B. Pope; Genesee, Mrs. E. B. Green; Illinois, Miss Sue Heath; Michigan, Mrs. Levi Masters; Maine, Miss Isabelle Allen; and Central Ohio, Mrs. Daniel Stecker. On motion, these reports were adopted. (See Reports.)

Mrs. Bishop Cranston moved, in view of the fact that so many are obliged to leave the Convention this afternoon, that Mrs. W. M. Ampt be permitted to give her report on Mite-boxes at this stage of the meeting. Carried.

After the presentation of Mrs. Ampt's statistical report, two minutes were given for reports from the Divisional Mite-box Secretaries, Mrs. Daniel Onstott, Mrs. M. R. Lincoln, Mrs. M. H. Nason, Mrs. E. W.

Seeds, and Mrs. J. P. Negus. On motion, these reports were adopted. (See Reports.)

Upon motion of Mrs. Rust, the following resolution was adopted by a rising vote, and the Secretary was requested to forward the same to Mrs. Bishop Simpson:

WHEREAS, Our Honorary Vice-President, Mrs. Bishop Simpson, is in impaired health; therefore,

Resolved, That we extend to her an expression of our highest regard and sympathy.

Mrs. Rust presented the appended resolutions, which were adopted:

Resolved, 1. That the report of Mrs. May Leonard Wells as Organizer, which she did not present because of having been called away from the Convention, be printed in the Annual Report.

2. That Mrs. Williams be made Chairman of a Committee to arrange uniform terms of engagements and compensations with our Organizers.

Mrs. Carhart moved that when this Committee has prepared its report, that it be published in *Woman's Home Missions*. Adopted.

After singing "Savior, like a shepherd lead us," the meeting adjourned until 7.30 P. M., that the Committee on Finance and Mission Fields might finish its work.

Wednesday Evening.

THE closing session opened at 7.30, with the President, Mrs. Fisk, in the chair. "Just as I am, without one plea," was sung, and prayer was offered by Mrs. Secor.

On invitation of the President, Bishop Walden addressed the Convention, saying he saw much of our work in different sections of the country, and was glad to have the opportunity to express his approval of the work.

The Minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Gilbert, corrected, and adopted.

The report of Mrs. Potter as General Organizer was given, and, on motion, adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. George H. Thompson, Chairman of the Committee on Insurance, requested permission to submit her report for publication in the Annual Report, without reading. Granted.

Mrs. Aiken moved that the report of the Committee on Bequest and Devise be referred, without reading, to the Editor of the Annual Report. Carried.

The report of the Committee on Resolutions was submitted by Mrs. J. W. Campbell, and, on motion, adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Aiken offered the following, which, on motion, was adopted:

Resolved, That this Convention join the Recording Secretary in an expression of thanks to the Assistant Secretaries for their painstaking and efficient services in recording the proceedings of this meeting.

Mrs. Negus presented the following:

WHEREAS, The arduous duties of Mrs. Ampt as Railroad Secretary have necessitated her loss of nearly all the sessions of the Convention; and

WHEREAS, This service has been of so much benefit to the members of this Convention in securing reduced rates; therefore,

Resolved, That we extend to Mrs. Ampt a vote of hearty appreciation of her services as Railroad Secretary.

Mrs. M. T. Carey reported the amount collected on certificates for defraying the expense of the special agent as $13.75, requesting that the excess of charges, $2.75, be contributed to the General Fund. Report adopted.

The report of the Committee on By-laws was submitted by Mrs. Green, and, on motion of Mrs. Tomkinson, considered item by item.

Item No. 1, in regard to the division of the Bureau for East Southern States, was adopted.

No. 2, recommending that the word "eight" in Section VII, By-law 3, for Young People's Work, page 269, last Annual Report, be changed to *ten*. Adopted.

No. 3 recommended that the word "beneficiary," in By-law 8, for the Board of Trustees, page 270, be stricken out, and *scholarship* used. Adopted.

No. 4 recommended that By-law 20, on page 271, last Annual Report, under By-laws for Conference Societies, be changed to read as follows: In all cases where Conference Organizers, whose appointment has been confirmed by the Board of Trustees, are employed, the expense, which consists in traveling expenses and one dollar for each day of actual service, must be met by the Conference, if possible. An itemized bill must be given to the Conference Treasurer, and when the Conference Contingent Fund is insufficient to pay the whole of this bill, the Conference Treasurer may forward the same, indicating the amount paid thereon, to the General Treasurer, who will pay the balance. Adopted.

No. 5 recommended that the following be added, under By-laws for Auxiliaries, page 273, last Annual Report, to By-law 4: It shall also be the duty of the Corresponding Secretary, when no other person is appointed, to solicit subscriptions to *Woman's* and *Children's Home Missions*. Adopted.

No. 6 recommended to strike out after Auxiliaries, on page 271, last Annual Report, By-law 10, for By-laws for Conference Societies, the words "Circles and Bands," and add at the end of the present By-law as printed the words, "*in the absence of a Conference Secretary of Young People's Work she shall also receive reports from Circles and Bands.*" Adopted.

On motion, the report was adopted as a whole. (See Report.)

Mrs. Fisk stated that Mrs. John D. Slayback was unable to retain the Secretaryship of the Bureau for Immigrant Work, and therefore tendered her resignation, which, on motion, was accepted.

On nomination of the General Executive Board, Mrs. George W. Mansfield was confirmed Secretary of the Bureau for Immigrants.

Mrs. Rust nominated Dr. Ames as President of the Training-school and Superintendent of Deaconess Work. The nomination was confirmed.

Mrs. Rust stated that the Managers for the National Training-school should be nominated by the Conference Societies, and confirmed by the Board of Trustees.

Mrs. Rust also stated that it had become necessary to provide assistance for the deaconess work, and the Board of Trustees nominated Miss Harriet Bancroft to co-operate with the Secretary of the Bureau for Deaconess Work.

Mrs. Rust moved that this nomination be confirmed.

Mrs. Carhart asked if Miss Bancroft would work without salary. Mrs. Rust replied that we were not sure that she can be secured, and Mrs. Rust moved that the matter be referred to the Board of Trustees. Carried.

Mrs. Rust defined the duties of the Field Secretary, as follows: To co-operate with the Secretary of the Bureau in the establishment and supervision of Deaconess Homes and centers of work, in the assignment of deaconesses to fields of labor, in the representation of the interests of this department, and in the endeavor to secure helpful relations between the several Homes, and between the Homes and the Training-school.

It was moved and carried that the Board of Trustees be authorized to engage a Field Secretary, if Miss Bancroft can not be secured.

Mrs. Rust offered the report of the Committee appointed to investigate the work at New Orleans, and, on motion, this report was ordered published in *Woman's Home Missions*, without reading.

Mrs. Negus stated that she desired to pledge for Northwest Iowa Conference $300, as salary for Miss Gibson in the Italian work in New Orleans.

On motion of Mrs. Thompson, it was resolved to distribute the few remaining photographs among the Industrial Homes.

Mrs. Albright, Chairman of the Press Committee, reported that the proceedings of the Convention up to Sunday had been sent to all official and semi-official papers, and that those of the remaining days would be sent at the close of the Convention. Accepted.

Mrs. Negus asked for information, "Which is correct, Executive Board or Board of Trustees?"

Mrs. Rust explained that the Woman's Home Missionary Society holds its charter under the laws of the State of Ohio, which specify that the members of a corporation not for profit, shall meet annually and elect a Board of Trustees, and that a majority of said Board shall constitute a quorum. From the moment that the Society accepted its charter

the General Executive Board became the Board of Trustees, and eleven, not seven, its quorum.

Mrs. Alspaugh's petition, through Mrs. Negus, to open work for the Bohemians in East and West Cedar Rapids, was referred to the Board of Trustees.

The report of the Committee on Finance and Mission Fields was presented by the Chairman, Mrs. Williams, and, on motion, adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Tomkinson moved that the resolutions in the report of the Committee on Finance and Mission Fields be printed in *Woman's Home Missions*. Carried.

The recommendations from the Auditing Committee, referred to the Committee on Finance and Mission Fields, which were not considered because of lack of time, were, on motion, referred to the Board of Trustees.

By request of Mrs. Trisler, Mrs. Frost spoke on the subject of Reading Circles.

A communication from Bishop Stevens, of the Reformed Episcopal Church, on Sabbath Observance, was referred to a Committee, of which Mrs. Albright was made Chairman.

Mrs. Frost presented a plan for itinerary for Mrs. Miller, which was accepted.

Mrs. Rust called attention to the note on page 276, last Annual Report, in regard to sending notice promptly to the Corresponding Secretary of the Society of all bequests and devises.

On motion of Mrs. Potter, Mrs. Rust, Mrs. Fisk, and Mrs. Albright were constituted a Committee to present the appropriations to the Missionary Committee.

On motion, the unfinished business of the Convention was referred to the Board of Trustees.

The Minutes of the closing session were read by Mrs. Albright, and, on motion, adopted.

There was a quiet heart-to-heart talk by Mrs. Fisk to the earnest women who constituted this Convention, and an expression of gratitude to God for the peace and harmony that had characterized its deliberations, with the parting injunction to be strong, courageous, and more consecrated than ever before to this service.

Bishop Walden invoked God's blessing upon the service and love put upon the altar, and prayed that the Holy Spirit might come to every heart, to give inspiration to go out with enthusiasm and hope in the fields of work that have been so graciously opened to the Society.

"My faith looks up to Thee" was sung, and, on motion, the meeting adjourned, the Rev. C. H. Richardson, D. D., pronouncing the benediction.

Baltimore—"like unto the Celestial City"—with a spiritual atmosphere pervading its homes of Christian culture and refinement, will linger

in the memory as a synonym for delightful hospitality, gracefully dispensed, not only in the homes, but also by the various Churches, which so bountifully ministered day by day to the body and spirit, under the efficient chairmanship of Mrs. John Neff and her *corps* of gracious workers.

MRS. F. A. AIKEN, RECORDING SECRETARY.

MRS. E. L. ALBRIGHT,
MRS. B. S. POTTER,
MISS MARTHA VAN MARTER,
MRS. MAY L. WOODRUFF,
MRS. J. E. GILBERT,
} *Assistants.*

REPORT OF CORRESPONDING SECRETARY,

MRS. R. S. RUST.

ON account of severe illness, I was not able to attend the last session of the General Board of Managers, but with determined effort prepared and submitted the Annual Report. I appear before you this morning, hoping to be able to participate in the business of the Convention, although the state of my health has been such that I could not prepare a report which, in my judgment, would meet the demands of the hour. My physician prohibited the effort required in collecting and arranging statistics, and in preparing facts and arguments to represent the present needs and conditions of the missionary cause in this country. I am now somewhat improved in health, and take great pleasure in presenting a brief review of the important events of the year, and in offering a few suggestions for improving our methods of work, and for increasing its influence and usefulness.

REVIEW.

We have received numerous evidences of Divine favor during the past year. The several departments of work have been well sustained, as will appear in the submitted reports of the Bureau Secretaries. The report on Devise will show an increased number of bequests for our Society. A new and beautiful edifice has been erected, in a pleasant location, for the school at Asheville, N. C. Necessary repairs and improvements have been made in our mission buildings in many places. The Rest Home, at Ocean Grove, which, in a rented building, has furnished our missionaries and deaconesses a delightful summer resting-place the past two years, has been made permanent by the generous donation of $1,000 by Mrs. Jane Bancroft Robinson and her sister, Miss Hariett Bancroft. This gift carries out the wish of their sainted mother, and the Rest Home will bear the honored family name of Bancroft.

ALASKA.—Our mission here has been strengthened by additional buildings. The opening of missionary work by our Society was approved by the General Board of Managers in 1887, and the mission at Unga was established. Work was commenced at Unalaska in 1889. Learning that the Missionary Committee, to which our appropriations must be submitted, might not sanction this, the President and Corresponding Secretary were appointed to personally solicit approval. But the way did not seem clear for the Missionary Society to provide for the necessary co-operation, and the request was not granted. This decision being made

in November, and the missionaries being in the field, they could not be recalled until the opening of navigation, the following May.

The increased interest in Alaska, stimulated by the opening of gold-fields and the dissemination of information, made it seem advisable the next year to again petition the Missionary Society in this behalf. The Corresponding Secretary, in her report to the General Board of Managers, recommended that "a conditional appropriation for Alaska be made at the Annual Meeting, and that a Committee be appointed to confer with the Missionary Committee, and present a recommendation that Unalaska and Unga be attached to a Pacific Coast Conference, that a minister be appointed to this circuit, and that the buildings of the Society be utilized for missionary purposes." The same officers were authorized to bear this message. After careful consideration, the Missionary Committee that year, 1893. approved the appropriation made, and of the continuance of work in Alaska. The Oregon Conference, at its session October, 1897, extended its jurisdiction over Alaska, and appointed a presiding elder to that field. The Missionary Committee, at its meeting in Brooklyn, November, 1897, indorsed the action, and made an appropriation of $1,000 to this field. Thus the hope of the Society, expressed in the petition for the approval by the Church of this mission, has been realized.

NEW ORLEANS.—The burning of Peck Home, early in the year, necessitated a modification of the plan of work in that city. The university kindly opened its doors to our missionaries and students. Instruction in sewing, drafting of garments, dressmaking, millinery, etc., was continued in the college building. House-to-house visitation, industrial classes, and Mothers' Meetings were satisfactorily provided for in connection with the Churches.

In May, we visited and personally investigated the conditions in New Orleans, and the opportunities for missionary work, and were convinced that the way is now open, with assurance of cordial co-operation on the part of the people, for the establishment of a polytechnic institution, which will provide advanced instruction in various industries for women, including cooking and housekeeping service. We recommend that such an institution be located as near as possible to the university, so that its students and others may profit by its opportunities. We advise that, in association with and supplementary to it, the industrial classes be continued in the several Churches. Through these it will keep in touch with the people, whose interest will be enlisted in behalf of the objects of the polytechnic institution.

MISSION AT NASHVILLE.—We visited Nashville in company of Mrs. H. C. Hedges, the Secretary of the Bureau. By mutual agreement in behalf of the Southern work, several years ago, the Freedmen's Aid Society arranged to provide for education in books, and the Woman's Home Missionary Society in industries. The advanced students in the several colleges were to be placed in our Industrial Homes. In harmony with

this plan, we have established sixteen Model Homes in connection with schools of a high grade.

The Central Tennessee College offers, with its hundreds of puplis, a fine co-operating agency. Two missionaries employed by the Society in 1880 were sent here, and labored successfully for several years. The work was continued for a time by the Freedmen's Aid Society. The property adjoining the campus of the university, which was tendered us at that time, and is well adapted to the object, is again offered us free of expense. The same generous friend who donated the Home has placed in our treasury, for the aid of the work, a considerable sum of money, and we recommend that, as soon as practicable, the mission here be reopened.

EXHIBIT AT NASHVILLE.—Several of our Homes were well represented in the Exposition at Nashville. Our exhibition was highly favored with a conspicuous location in the building, and it reflected great credit upon the colored people. The managers of the Exposition sent us a communication highly commendatory of the exhibits of our industrial Homes, classing them as "among the most interesting in the building," and as "commanding the distinguished attention of visitors."

ARBITRATION.—No event of the year is of more far-reaching importance than the movement to secure that questions of claims in the settlement of bequests between the Missionary Societies of the Church shall be decided by arbitration rather than by appeal to the courts. Many persons, in writing their wills, fail to give the full name of our Society. It is so customary to speak of it as the "Home Missionary Society," to distinguish it from the Parent Society and the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, that this form of expression is frequently used by testators in writing wills. Fortunately, in most cases there are circumstances or conditions named, which clearly indicate the intention of the donor.

A test case was one in Illinois, where the bequest was made to the "Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church." This was claimed by the Missionary Society. The executors referred it to the Court of Chancery, which decided that the Woman's Home Missionary Society *is* the Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Appeal was made by the Missionary Society, and the Appellate Court reversed the decision of the Court of Chancery. In the meantime important evidence was discovered, indicating that the testatrix evidently meant the Woman's Home Missionary Society. We waived our right to appeal to a higher court, and submitted the evidence to the Board of Managers of the Missionary Society, and asked that the question be referred to a Committee of Arbitration, to be agreed upon by the two Societies, in order that we might save the expense of court proceedings, and avoid the discouraging effect of expending missionary funds in legal contests. Our request was granted, and the case will be decided at an early day by arbitration. We feel that the *intention of the donor*, whatever

may be the ambiguities of expression, should determine the case, and the necessary facts may, in most cases, easily be discovered by a friendly conference of arbitrators. In order to avoid these misunderstandings, we urge all who may wish to make bequests in favor of our Society to use the legal name, *"The Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church."*

SUGGESTIONS.

The Deaconess Bureau, established nine years ago, has become an important department, with over $200,000 invested in Homes. It has nearly two hundred deaconesses in active service. The way is now prepared for the establishment of additional Homes under its auspices, and many pastors appeal to the Society for deaconess helpers. The growth of the work is seriously retarded by the difficulty of obtaining a sufficient number of thoroughly-trained deaconesses.

First. We recommend that the special effort of the Society be given to the enlargement of the Training-school at Washington. The demands of the field make this extension a necessity. Donations of money for this object justified the Board of Trustees in an effort to secure additional ground, preparatory to the erection of the contemplated building, contributions for which should now be solicited.

Second. The present site was provided by the generous donation of Mr. William Nash, who wisely secured in the deed by which he transferred the property to the Society, that in case it should become apparent that the interests of the school should ever require a change of location, the property might be sold, and the proceeds devoted to the establishment of an institution of like character within the District of Columbia. We recommend that, in case the present site can not be enlarged so as to meet its necessities, steps be taken to effect a change in locality and the sale of the present property.

Third. The charter of the Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school provides that there shall be a Manager within the bounds of each Annual Conference, nominated by the Conference Society, and elected by the General Board of Managers, whose duty it shall be to select candidates for missionary training, obtain scholarships and funds in its behalf, and in various other ways labor for the advancement of this interest. This relation of the General Society to the Training-school secures interested co-operation in the selection and preparation of missionaries throughout the United States. The terms of incorporation provide that its Board of Management shall be elected by the General Board. Sibley Hospital, associated with the school, facilitates the training of nurses; and other features are provided for satisfactorily on the present site, but the accommodations there are not adequate to the numbers that should be in training. In the larger and more comprehensive institution contemplated, the features of training provided for now may assume the proportions of Departments of Work, with distinct individuality,—as, Bible

School, Domestic Science, Social Science, Nurse Training, Kindergarten, etc.

Fourth. The President of the Training-school is also Superintendent of Deaconess Work, by the provisions of the By-law defining the duties of this officer. The enlargement of the enterprise will make it necessary for him to devote his time to the school. The success of our deaconess work necessitates the employment of an agent for the field work. This department has reached such proportions, that the Secretary of the Bureau must have the assistance of a competent person to aid in its representation and supervision, and we recommend the election of a Field Secretary, whose duty it shall be to co-operate with the Secretary of the Bureau in promoting the general interests of the work, and in securing helpful relations between the several Deaconess Homes, and between them and the National Training-school at Washington.

Fifth. We have referred to the fact that several of our Deaconess Homes are endeavoring, with praiseworthy energy, to aid by furnishing instruction in missionary methods; but this is done at great disadvantage and expense. The systematic study required for mental discipline, and a definite knowledge of the Holy Scriptures and the most successful methods of missionary work, can not be secured under the embarrassments of an ordinary Deaconess Home. A training-school of high grade must be thoroughly equipped in all its departments, and be furnished with a full corps of able instructors. Its maintenance involves heavy expense, that can only be justified where large numbers avail themselves of its advantages. That in our Home Missionary field a great variety and character of service is required, such as will furnish employment for those of varied talents and training, and that the present accommodations of the Training-school at Washington are limited, make it advisable, and we recommend the continuance, at least for the present, of the schools of preparatory grade and character in connection with our Deaconess Homes. These may have the relation to the Training-school proper that the common school bears to the college.

Sixth. The propriety of recognizing grades of acquirement in the preparation of deaconesses and missionaries is evident, and of providing for them certificates of consecration that will indicate exactly the extent and character of their training. The difference in grade of preparation may be as wide as that between the common school and the college course of study and of training. To this end, we recommend that our bishops, to whom has been delegated the duty of preparing a course of study for deaconesses and Christian workers, be petitioned to arrange a graded course, and that a corresponding certificate of qualification be provided for consecrated deaconesses. This can be arranged with reference to the natural adaptability and capability of students and the service to be rendered. One schedule can be adapted to the possibilities of the usual Deaconess Home, with its limited numbers and facilities, and another, which will require two or more years, can be arranged for the advanced course of the Training-school.

Seventh. The limitations of our treasury make it necessary to carefully discriminate in the selection of fields of labor, and we advise that the Society sustain only such enterprises as promise great usefulness at a judicious outlay of funds. It is essential that consideration be given to the question of the constituency that may be benefited by a mission. As an illustration: A Home located where the race population within sixty miles is forty thousand, which enrolls only twenty-five pupils, and which requires an appropriation of $1,200, is less satisfactory in results than one with a race constituency of 410,000, which has 125 pupils, and requires an appropriation of only $1,630. In one case the cost per pupil is about $50; in the other, $13.

The importance of care in selecting locations is emphasized by the fact, that a mission can hardly be so unwisely planted but that the recipients of its aid will plead earnestly for its continuance. Although it may be evident that the necessary funds for the support of a given mission could be more profitably expended in another field, where larger harvests might be garnered, it is almost impossible to secure from the managers unanimity in a proposition for change, or for the abandonment of a mission once entered upon. And yet, if in a careful review of our work any enterprise is found to cost too much for the good accomplished, and there is no speedy prospect of improvement, we submit that it would be judicious to transfer the required appropriation to some one of our institutions doing first-class work for the Church, upon more economical terms. In following the example of the brethren in good work, we must not fall into the error of incurring debt in the management of our missions, and in conducting our business.

Eighth. With the work inaugurated by the Society, so comprehensive, extending all over our beloved country, taxing to the utmost our collections and resources, great caution and wisdom must be employed in appropriating our funds, and in selecting our fields of labor. That God has honored our Society by crowning its efforts with such marked success, and that the Church has responded so liberally to our appeals by intrusting to the Society, within seventeen years, an aggregate of about $2,500,000, place upon its Managers an obligation to continue to use the utmost economy in the expenditure of its funds, and to respond as favorably as possible to appeals for aid in behalf of needy sections and peoples. At the same time, due caution demands that in the extension and development of our work we must depend upon an increase of Home Missionary interest throughout the Church, accompanied by an increase of funds.

Ninth. INCREASE IN MEMBERSHIP AND FUNDS.—Wherever the claims of Home Missions are presented and understood, a responsive interest is awakened. We have only about 2,600 Auxiliaries, while there are more than 5,000 charges in our Church where there is no Woman's Home Missionary Society, and where one could be successfully established and maintained. In many Conferences a large proportion of even the most intelligent ministers have no true conception of what the Woman's Home Missionary Society has done, and is doing. When they realize the

claims of the Home field, and learn that our Society has expended $1,450,000 in cash, and has sent to the needy ministers on the frontiers about $750,000 worth of supplies, that hundreds of these men and their families have been enabled to continue in the field by this timely help from our Society, they become interested, and earnestly co-operate in the establishment of Auxiliaries.

We submit that it will be a wise expenditure of funds to send competent organizers to enlist the sympathy and co-operation of ministers and congregations in this good cause. It is mistaken policy and a fearful disregard of urgent duty to neglect the opportunity of extending our organization, and of enlisting the women of Methodism in behalf of this cause. The merchant and the manufacturer once remained quietly in their establishments, and customers sought them out and purchased their wares. Business is now conducted by very different methods, and it pays to send an agent to find a customer. The Church may profitably adopt business methods in representing its work. The other benevolent agencies employ able and eloquent speakers to aid the ten thousand commissioned pastors in awakening interest and in providng funds for their enterprises. The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society has a large corps of returned missionaries, successful advocates, in the field, and almost every charge in the connection is urged by these fervent pleaders to organize in this behalf, and the Auxiliaries are stimulated by them to increased enthusiasm. These agents of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society are sustained in this work by its general treasury, which profits by the receipts in its rapidly-extending organization.

Tenth. RESPONSIBILITY.—Our Home missionaries are in the field ten months of the year. Many of the officers of the Society can not leave their homes to engage in organization. The Woman's Home Missionary Society ought not to be responsible for allowing so large a proportion of the members of the Church to remain uninformed in regard to the necessities of our Home field. The Church has intrusted this woman's work to our Society, and we are responsible to God and to the Church for the thorough organization of the women of Methodism in its behalf. We therefore recommend the selection and employment of competent women for this service, who will labor under the direction of the Conference and General Boards for the encouragement and extension of the organization, and for the general diffusion of Home Missionary intelligence in our Churches.

Eleventh. We would suggest that our officers and organizers everywhere advocate the observance, on the part of our membership, of the "tithing system," recommended in the Holy Scriptures, which is the consecration of one-tenth of our entire income to the cause of Christ. Illustrating its advantage: A small number of the members of one of the Churches in Cincinnati pledged themselves to give a tenth of their income to the support of the Church. Within two years their church-building and parsonage have been remodeled, the pastor's salary has been paid, and all their apportionments met.

Bishop McCabe says: "The tithe of Methodism alone would be $80,000,000." In this view can we calculate the *debt* of Methodism to the Lord's treasury.

CONCLUSION.

We can not refrain from offering a word of commendation to those who, by consecrated effort, have achieved such grand results as shall pass in view during the progress of this Convention. Let all honor be given our excellent President, who, regardless of toil and personal comfort, has been, as nearly as possible, omnipresent in our widespread field for the aid and inspiration of the workers; to our faithful Treasurer, who has so successfully carried the burdens of our financial interests during these troublous times; to the painstaking and efficient Recording Secretary; to the gifted and enthusiastic Secretary of the Deaconess Department, burdened by responsibility and service; to the other officers and Secretaries of Bureaus, and to the devoted Conference, District, and Auxiliary officers and members, who have done what they could; whose names, many of them, never appear in the public prints, but whose deeds are recorded in heaven.

I have, by continued correspondence, and by visits in the South and elsewhere, kept myself informed in regard to this whole movement, and in touch with the missions and the workers in every department of effort, sustained by our Home Missionary Society. By constant association for seventeen years, I have become familiar with the history of its struggles in the erection of school and mission buildings; in the collection and expenditure of its funds; in the preparation and employment of its missionaries and teachers; in the increasing deaconess work and its achievements; in supplying our destitute ministers and their families in the frontiers with food and clothing; and in securing annuitants, endowments, and bequests; and I feel compelled, under the influence of these impressive facts and circumstances, to assure our women that, in my judgment, this great system of benevolent work has been wisely and economically planned and administered; and that there is no more Christ-like mission on earth, and no more self-sacrificing workers engaged in efforts to save this fallen world, than can be found among the friends of, and in the service of, the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

CONFERENCES.	No. Organizations	MEMBERSHIP.					Life-members	Honorary Managers	Honorary Patrons	Woman's Home Missions: No. Subscribers	Children's Home Missions
		Auxiliaries.	Mission Circles	Mission Bands	Mothers' Jewels	Home Mission Reading Circle.					
Baltimore	67	2457	197	.....	.....	212	34	10	3	650	.....
California	33	542	117	.....	.....	.....	12	.....	.....	217	.....
Central Alabama	1	13	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	.....
Central Illinois	6	71	80	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	45	.....
Central Missouri	3	43	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	4	.....
Central New York	87	1675	223	265	395	94	109	6	1	774	.....
Central Ohio	64	1127	133	70	72	49	123	10	6	420	.....
Central Pennsylvania	38	831	61	20	790	75	61	4	.....	269	.....
Cincinnati	95	1509	292	340	1222	81	375	17	.....	649	.....
Colorado	32	510	96	12	107	.....	47	2	.....	160	.....
Columbia River	5	64	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	.....	.....	.....	.....
Des Moines	19	260	.....	.....	.....	.....	7	.....	.....	78	.....
Detroit	106	2299	69	50	118	6	244	35	.....	620	.....
East Maine	4	29	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
East Ohio	85	1795	405	182	324	6	118	10	2	427	.....
East Tennessee	11	120	.....	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10	.....
Erie	73	1188	92	124	279	21	120	5	.....	501	.....
Florida	10	50	25	.....	.....	.....	15	.....	.....	.....	.....
Genesee	70	1582	155	115	175	.....	103	6	14	740	.....
Holston	6	95	35	22	.....	.....	1	1	2	.....	.....
Idaho	5	7	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Illinois	17	353	3	17	2	13	20	2	.....	140	.....
Indiana	33	897	50	157	28	3	138	3	.....	254	.....
Iowa	43	527	104	.....	154	.....	11	1	.....	292	.....
Kansas	10	266	.....	.....	15	.....	18	.....	.....	83	.....
Kentucky	3	13	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1	1	10	.....
Lexington	2	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10	.....
Little Rock	1	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	3	.....
Louisiana	12	157	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	.....
Maine	23	351	50	.....	10	.....	17	.....	.....	107	.....
Michigan	61	1230	108	20	24	.....	110	.....	.....	451	.....
Minnesota and North. Minnesota	17	299	.....	.....	87	.....	37	1	.....	138	.....
Missouri	23	202	66	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	13	.....
Nebraska	29	479	37	45	44	20	24	3	.....	114	.....

Newark	17	1538	143	87	168	31	102	5		398	
New England	103	2089	159	108	550	93	250	31	13	922	
New England Southern	38	930	67	65	52	14	58	16		401	
New Hampshire	28	452	20	14	81		12	4		124	
New Jersey	44	1244	58	106	192	17	35	3		308	
New Mexico Mission	2	67					2			30	
New York	31	1050	78	7			12	4	1	236	
New York East	24	587	72			20	15	3	1	126	
North Indiana	66	1116	71	79	209	38	39	2	4	401	
North Nebraska	17	231	15	104	52	20	2			79	
North Ohio	67	1022	40	7	257	19	199			385	
Northern New York	80	1216	187	106	202	60	27	5		368	
Northwest Indiana	13	372	84	12			14			121	
Northwest Iowa	90	1484	60	149	160	65	52	4		500	
Northwest Kansas							1				
Northwest Nebraska	5	75									
Northern Swedish Mission											
Ohio	50	1076	38	84	288	88	244	10	1	473	
Oklahoma	2	55									
Oregon	14	122					4	72		32	
Philadelphia	37	1030	107	150	52	55	161	32	5	298	
Pittsburg	63	1801	155	220	141	20	78	4	1	552	
Puget Sound	22	250					3				
Rock River	45	1186			99		125	35	11	375	
St. Louis							1				
South Kansas	5	86					6			14	
Southern California	101	1164	301	775		35	35		3	296	
Southern Illinois											
Southwest Kansas	36	456	10				46			185	
Tennessee											
Texas	2	42					4			8	
Troy	72	1552	222	170	1		109	14	4	644	
Upper Iowa	72	1637		84	149	56	213	14	3	639	
Upper Mississippi											
Utah Mission	5	130								20	
Vermont	43	411	66	33	46		37	1		205	
Virginia	3	20					2				
West Nebraska	5	45					7			11	
West Texas	25	155		12	70		1			150	
West Wisconsin	20	349	9	22	6		31		3	88	
Wilmington	34	717	88	194	244		9	5		242	
Wisconsin	22	392	10	60						100	
Wyoming	49	1070	44	96	338	40	121	6		358	
Totals	2476	48285	4512	4118	7203	1254	3813	387	79	16285	6720

THE UNITED STATES AS A MISSION FIELD.

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AS the great annual gathering of the Woman's Home Missionary Society brings to Baltimore the representatives of over seventy-five thousand women of Methodism, such questions as these naturally arise, "What motives have led these women to assemble?" "What reasons have induced over seventy-five thousand able, sensible, thoughtful women, as such a Church membership represents, to ally themselves in behalf of this work?" In other words, "What need is there for a Woman's Home Missionary Society?" As the representative of these women, I shall endeavor to answer some of these questions, although well aware how inadequate is the attempt of any woman to fitly express the elevated patriotism merging in the Divine love for all humanity that influences the hearts of these workers. It is in behalf of the whole world that we make our prayer, expressed by Holmes, our poet of patriotism:

"Wake in our breasts the living fires,
The holy faith that warmed our sires;
Thy hand hath made our Nation free,
To die for her is serving Thee."

To our thinking, America, our native land, is the great mission-field of the world. Its history from the beginning has set it apart as the land of the Holy Cross. When Columbus landed at San Salvador, he at once erected a rude cross, and took possession of this beautiful country in the name of his Christian sovereign. When Balboa, more than twenty years later, ascended the last slope of the central isthmus, and beheld spread before his surprised vision, the vast expanse of the Pacific Ocean, he prostrated himself in adoration, and then "caused a fair and tall tree to be cut down and hewed it into a cross," which was elevated on the spot from whence he had first beheld the sea. Still twenty years later, Ferdinand De Soto gazed upon the majestic Mississippi, and he also erected a cross from a huge pine tree, and with imposing religious ceremonies accepted the great Mississippi. A cross by the Atlantic, a cross by the Pacific, a cross at the Mississippi; most aptly was bestowed the

name yet preserved in the oldest map extant, "*Terra sanctæ Crucis*," Land of the Holy Cross.

It would seem that this land was kept in God's good providence for a great religious mission. Not until the fullness of time was its existence discovered. Some thinker has said, "God walked the coasts of America as a stern sentinel until her hour had arrived." Certain it is that wonderful changes were preparing while this continent lay hidden from the civilized world. The discovery of printing gave men access to the treasures of the past, and broadened the mental horizon. The translation of the Bible into the common vernacular of the people changed their thoughts and transformed their lives. The great Reformation awakened Europe. The early settlers came to this new country in the missionary spirit, bringing these two great thoughts, civil liberty and spiritual Christianity. Our Pilgrim Fathers, driven out of England for conscience' sake, made sturdy and strong by persecution, drew up in the cabin of the *Mayflower* the immortal compact that declared they were coming to the New World "for the glory of God and the advancement of the Christian faith." The same desire for civil liberty, the same spiritual love came with the French Huguenots of the Carolinas, with the Holland Dutch of New York, with the Quakers of Pennsylvania, with the Scotch-Irish Presbyterians of Maryland, and with the Baptists of Rhode Island. Our land was settled by freedom-loving, Christian men and women. God is still watching over his own. He is as truly in the history of America to-day as he was in the history of Israel of olden time. We want to be his willing instruments in the present, in order that this land may continue a Christian Nation.

The women of Methodism believe that our Republic has the qualities for leadership among nations, and that it is of vital importance that this leadership should be Christian. Shall I enumerate the characteristics that, by manifold destiny, open the way for our advance? You know them all. In the first place, we have a well-compacted territory,—not scattered and dispersed like the British Empire. Outside of Alaska, our territorial empire consists of more than three million square miles. A little incident occurred in China a few years ago, that Americans may well consider:

"At a Fourth of July dinner in Shanghai, the English Consul toasted the British flag. He said:

'Here is to the Union Jack—the flag of flags—the flag that has floated on every continent and on every sea for a thousand years—the flag on which the sun never sets!'

"It was a strong sentiment, and the Americans were a little overawed, until Eli Perkins was called to toast the Stars and Stripes. Looking into the proud faces of the Englishmen, he said:

'Here is to the Stars and Stripes of the New Republic; when the setting sun lights up her stars in Alaska, the rising sun salutes her on the rock-bound coast of Maine. It is the flag of Liberty, never lowered to any foe, and the only flag that whipped the flag on which the sun never sets!' "

Does not this incident enlarge your geographical conceptions?

We have a system of rivers and lakes containing nearly one-half the fresh water of the globe, and providing well for internal commerce. Our agricultural resources are to-day making us the granary of the world. It is estimated by careful authorities that the United States could easily support one thousand million inhabitants. As it is, we are probably of all nations the one best provided with food products, and are sending our surplus to feed our hungry neighbors. Our mineral resources are practically unlimited; coal and iron in inexhaustible quantities; silver too abundant for our statesmen; and in gold productions still leading Africa and Australia, while thousands of square miles of mineral treasure yet lie untouched beneath the surface. God has dealt bountifully with this youngest of the nations. As to manufacturing supremacy, a recent English paper stated, "England has lost that to America; probably never to regain it." America has large operators, brainy workers, vast industrial plants, and it follows naturally that she is forging past the older nations, as Gladstone expresses it, "at a canter." Her facilities of transportation and of communication should be kept in mind. We have more miles of railroad than all Europe, and almost double the European mileage of telegraph system. Josiah Strong says, "Such a country, with its resources fully developed; such a race, thrice fitted to prepare the way for the full coming of the Kingdom, must, under God, control the world's future."

Politically, the influence of the United States is constantly enlarging. It is but a little over a century since our wise fathers framed our Constitution, and yet Bancroft told us in one of his latest historical studies that there is not a written constitution of Europe that has not been framed since ours, and to a greater or less extent modeled upon it. To us have these countries looked for the form of government that is consistent with the largest possible civil liberty. Are we not the "heirs of all the ages in the foremost files of time?"

We will revert to our theme, "The United States as a Mission Field." And we women of the Home Missionary Society make the farther claim that it is *the great foreign mission-field.* In God's good providence he is making our land a resort, not only for the oppressed and persecuted, but for the aspiring and the homeseekers as well. People of more than twenty-five different nationalities mingle in our citizenship, and fourteen different languages are spoken within her borders; our Methodist Episcopal Church is speaking and preaching in sixteen different languages in this country. The last census tells us that one-fourth of our population is foreign-born, and it reveals another fact of grave significance, viz.: that the percentage of increase in the native-born during the last decade is one-third smaller, while in the foreign-born it is nearly twice as large. Even in old Massachusetts, scarcely two-thirds of the population is of purely native stock. I have consulted your authorities, and learn that here in Baltimore the native born are in about the same proportion; *i. e.*, they constitute 64 per cent of the population, the foreign born 15.83

per cent, and the children of foreign-born parentage about 21 per cent. Have you not a foreign mission-field within your city?

Let us analyze the chief elements of the foreign population. The English and Scotch are in full sympathy with American institutions; the Irish, warm-hearted, impulsive, blindly loyal to Rome, are a problem in State and religious life; the Bohemians, countrymen of John Huss and Jerome of Prague,—now largely Catholics,—not easily reached, but once converted, faithful unto death; the Poles, clannish and bigoted, but yet accessible through their children; the Scandinavians, hardy and enterprising, true sons of Luther; the Italians, mostly of the peasant class, ignorant and vindictive, yet splendid material for Christian effort, as is proved in our Orphanage on the Hudson and our Mission in New Orleans. We send missionaries to Italy, and yet in our own land there are three hundred thousand Italians scarcely touched by Protestant Christianity. The Alaskans, an interesting, gentle, tractable, and capable race, but a short time our wards, and during that time pillaged and despoiled of their fur-trade to benefit rich corporations; whole villages wiped out; schools that the Russians founded, discontinued; the very food supply of the people snatched from them, as declared by Dr. Sheldon Jackson. What a shameful record for America! The Mexicans in the States on our Southern border are also to be justly counted a foreign population. Then there are the Chinese, largely from the ignorant strata, in considerable numbers in San Francisco, in Chicago, and New York, in each of which cities there are Joss-houses, with idols and pagan worship. A converted Chinaman, a man of education and refinement, was showing a friend recently through the Chinese quarter in New York, and in the course of his conversation said: "Why do you not do more for my countrymen? Convert them and send them back to China, and they would make the very best missionaries; for they not only speak the language, but they understand our people." I want to emphasize the peculiar mission opportunities we have in our land. They should be more considered, better recognized.

Outside of the Irish, Italians, and the Germans (of whom there are three millions and more), there are over two million two hundred thousand representatives of other foreign nations to which the Protestant Churches of America send missionaries. Is it for naught that we have these people, not only at our doors, but in our midst? Looking at these facts, can I be justly controverted when I say that the Woman's Home Missionary Society is capable of being the most effective foreign missionary society for the evangelization of the world? Let the women of Methodism lovingly and wisely train the young Chinese in our Mission at San Francisco; the Mexicans in our schools at Las Vegas and Albuquerque; the young Bohemians in Chicago and Baltimore; the Alaskans in our Homes at Unalaska and Unga; the Italians in our Watts de Peyster Home, and in New Orleans; and who so capable, so efficient as they to go as missionaries to their fellow-countrymen? We pay the traveling expenses

of missionaries, and rightly, to carry the gospel to heathen lands. God bless our foreign missionaries, increase their activities, and add to their means; but when the heathen come to us, paying their own traveling expenses, why do they seem so unattractive? Are they less picturesque near by, than seen through the prism of distance?

Another aspect of mission work among foreigners is to be considered, and that is that their presence places the character of our civilization at stake. We talk a great deal about the problems of our great cities, but our cities present problems because the foreign element largely centers there. The census bulletin says three-fourths of the foreign-born are found in cities. Here they segregate, maintain their own customs, language, and religion. If left to themselves, they will keep as intensely alien as though they had remained in their native homes. It will not do to meet this obvious fact by saying, "They can be Christians if they will, our Churches are open to them." We must seek them out; they will not come to us. They are kept apart and hedged in by language, religion, and family ties. It is the foreign element that is breaking down our Sabbath, giving us open theaters and open saloons on our holy day, until the hallowed sacredness of our Sabbath is, in some places, only a memory. Foreigners constitute the majority of saloon-keepers, and are the material that make possible the political "boss." It has been well said, "For the vital ends of our civilization, and ultimately for the civilization of the entire world, it is incomparably more important that we secure the Christianization of these heathen at home, than by any possibility it could be to secure the conversion of a like number abroad."

There is an additional argument that I have never heard used, yet often wondered that it could be overlooked. America supports and maintains foreign missions more largely than any other country. The Christian Church in our land, active, vigorous, and prosperous, furnishes one-third of the missionaries in foreign lands; *i. e.*, one-twelfth of the Christian population of the globe furnishes one-third the missionaries and means used in its evangelization. How can this proportion be maintained if the base of supplies, our Churches at home, become impoverished and depleted? But are the Churches in our large cities, where foreigners are massed, keeping pace in membership with the growth of the population? Certainly Methodism in New York, our chief metropolis, has not kept pace. I quote from data kindly furnished me by the Secretary of the New York City Extension and Missionary Society: "Within the limits of New York City proper, the gain in population from 1865, for thirty years, was 86 per cent. The gain of Methodist membership has been 56 per cent. In this same period, the distinctly anti-Protestant constituent population, including the Hebrews and the Roman Catholics, has increased more than 200 per cent, so that they are more than half the population of the city. In the present city of New York our entire membership in 1897 is 16,228 members." The whole burden of our benevolences, local demands and the support of Churches, rests upon this very small

number of the population. How about Baltimore, this cradle of Methodism? In 1887 there were in Baltimore 12,744 Methodists in full membership; in 1896 (the latest statistics I could obtain), there were 14,778, indicating an annual increase of about one and three-fifths per cent; nowise equaling the growth of the population.

Now, it would seem to me that the law of self-preservation would naturally lead our pastors to foster and cherish the home missionary field. In this way they would strengthen the hold of the Church on the unchurched masses. They would increase their influence, their means, their membership. If a Church would be strong it must contain members, and more members. But do our pastors feel this responsibility? Some do; especially those who are familiar with the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, and its value to the Church. But there are Churches in Methodism where there is no Auxiliary in this Society; and in such places the pastors have not been quick to recognize its worth. Out of a membership of two and one-half millions, the Woman's Home Missionary Society has a membership of about seventy-five thousand. Out of fifteen thousand charges, it has two thousand five hundred local Auxiliaries; far from having obtained the ideal condition of an Auxiliary in every Church. Then, too, women constitute two-thirds of the membership of Methodism. Suppose the latent force of these women, now largely lying inert, were but developed. The world is courting their power and influence. Women are invited to join clubs, to fill places on boards of authority, to act as directors of philanthropic associations. There is no woman of education and experience but who has unlimited opportunities and ways in which to use her activity. Would it not be wise for our Church to strengthen the influence of our women societies, and occupy all the faculties and forces of the women members within its boundary? Woman has power; power of sympathy, insight, and influence. The Catholic Church recognizes this, and opens peculiar fields, even as with Miss Catherine Drexel, to create a special service for her activities. How wise to use the mighty dynamics of woman's power! So I would say, let the Methodist Episcopal Church cherish the Woman's Home Missionary Society, and aid it in its loyal desire to reach every woman in every Church. It is worth your while; our work should commend us. What are we doing? Giving the colored girls of the South an opportunity for household training to fit them to become helpful wives and wise mothers; giving them an education to enable them to earn an honest livelihood; or to become teachers of their people; or to be ready to fill places as superintendents of schools, and other positions of responsibility, such as many of our students are filling. What are we doing? Rescuing the Chinese girls in our mission at San Francisco, where exists, according to the statement of the *North American Review*, "as black a slave-market as any the world has ever seen." In America, "the land of the free," Chinese women and girls are still bought and sold and condemned to a life of shame, and it is the Methodist and Presbyterian Mis-

sions of San Francisco that have exposed this infamy. What are we doing? Meeting the immigrant girls as they land at our ports, sheltering them, providing them work, and saving them to goodness; teaching the Indian boys and girls; the Mexicans in our border States; Americanizing and Christianizing the children of foreigners in our great cities; taking the girls of Alaska into our Jesse Lee Home, teaching them not only earthly knowledge, but purity and the love of Christ; caring for our ministers heroically preaching the gospel amid frontier hardships, giving them garments and providing them books; building missions, maintaining deaconesses in our cities; maintaining other benevolent institutions. What gracious work that Christian women can undertake for their more unfortunate and sorrowing sisters in America is there that, in some form or another, the Woman's Home Missionary Society is not striving to accomplish?

There is another reason why the United States of America is an ideal mission-field. Our land is as yet sparsely settled, with many characteristics of a new and crude civilization, a civilization that is yet in the formative stage, easily molded and influenced. What is done in the present will act powerfully in determining future conditions of life for long years to come. This consideration shows that we are living in a rare period for mission work, and have a rare field, especially in the States of the far West. Those States that, according to Munhall, the famous English statistician, are the swiftest accumulators of wealth in the world. Most of them have sprung into existence since 1860, yet they possess more miles of railway than any European State except France or Germany, and the value of precious metals produced since 1890 exceed any previously produced by any country in the history of mankind. "In whatever aspect we may view the Pacific States, their progress must appear marvelous." This progress has occurred in a generation's lifetime. Look forward and try to imagine what the future holds, and then you will value the present moment.

In foreign lands we must first tear down before we build up; we must combat old errors by new truths. Here is virgin soil of opportunity. As you stand on the great plains of the new States of the West, and watch the purple and golden shadows of sunset transforming the bold, precipitous, rocky formations into castellated towns and fortifications, you can almost hear the tramp of the oncoming millions who shall yet cause this wilderness to blossom as the rose. I do not believe any earnest, consecrated woman, with a full sense of her responsibility to God for the right use of her time and talents, can weigh these arguments and not say, "I, too, will join in this work," as did the Jews of old when they builded each one over against his own house. Shall we, the women of Methodism, representing two-thirds of the membership of our great denomination, sit safe and secure in quiet homes, shielded and tenderly guarded from the difficulties and the turmoil, sharing neither the work nor the opportunities of these eventful, closing years of the nineteenth

century? God forbid! There may be those who sit at ease; who doubt the power of Christian effort; who have no vision to see the needs and share the hopes of this great era. We are not of them. The dying epilogue of Robert Browning expresses well our aspirations. Like him, we have naught in common with "the slothful, the mawkish." Like him, we have tried to walk in the footsteps of

"One who never turned his back, but marched breast forward,
Never doubted clouds would break,
Never dreamed, though right were worsted, wrong would triumph."

So we present to you some of the considerations that have influenced the women of Methodism to found the Woman's Home Missionary Society. This is not an old Society, but rather the youngest of the seven great connectional organizations of the Church. Our history carries us back only about seventeen years last June, when some elect women, called together by Elizabeth L. Rust, our honored founder, and yet our beloved Secretary, laid the foundations of our Society. The germ thus planted has become a strong, beautiful organization, young still, but in vigorous growth, and already shadowing forth what it will become in future years. The first money contributed was a gold coin, five dollars in value, sent by that blessed saint, the mother of Bishop Gilbert Haven. The money contributed the last fiscal year of 1896-1897, amounted to $182,216.30, while in supplies sent to our heroic missionaries in the frontier States there was $70,684,50, making a total of over $210,000 contributed during the last year. Let me present in a few crude statistics some hints of what has been accomplished:

Seventeen years ago we had but a handful of members; to-day we number seventy-five thousand, and are one of the seven great connectional organizations of the Church. Seventeen years ago we had no money; since that time $1,500,000 cash and $740,500 in supplies have been collected and carefully disbursed. Seventeen years ago we had no missionaries, no deaconesses; to-day we have 85 missionaries in the field, and about 185 deaconesses at work or in training. Seventeen years ago we had no schools nor missions; to-day we have 13 schools of academic training, 21 Industrial Homes, 4 Immigrant Homes, about 20 Deaconess Homes, 3 Orphanages, a National Training-school for deaconesses and missionaries, a hospital, as also excellent buildings in Cincinnati and Chicago for city mission work, and a Rest Home for missionaries and deaconesses at Ocean Grove. During this time we have trained in the Industrial Homes over 2,000 girls, while over 8,000 have been taught in our schools, besides the larger classes trained in Homes allied with the Freedmen's Aid Society. To-day we have $70,000 in Orphanage property, $145,000 in the South, $17,000 in Utah, $9,000 on the Pacific Coast and Alaska, $15,000 in New Mexico and Arizona; over $180,000 in Deaconess Homes; a total of about half a million. These are a few of the bare statistics of the work of the Society during seventeen years.

Quite recently I had an opportunity of witnessing a scientific demonstration, that a million dollars could not have procured me five years ago. I held my hand between a transparent glass and an instrument through which passed a powerful current of electricity, acting on certain substances; the rays so induced passing through, caused me to see distinctly the articulations of the bones. The wonderful Roentgen rays unveiled the structure of my frame to myself. If there were a contrary process I could employ, I would clothe the framework of these statistics with the generous deeds, the hard, self-denying labors and consecrated devotion of our missionaries, of the thousands of quiet workers and of our devoted leaders; then you could understand what these statistics mean. I can not interpret them. It would require words wet with tears, pleading prayers, and songs of praise, rising in a magnificent symphony upward to the throne of God.

Consider but one branch of service of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, and see what mighty possibilities it contains. I refer to our Deaconess Work.

It is not yet a decade since the Methodist Episcopal Church gave ecclesiastical sanction to the woman-worker known as a deaconess, but the advantages of her labor are daily becoming more evident to the rank and file of the Church. It is seen that she is well fitted to become a helper in all branches of our Church administration, while being especially well fitted to act as a missionary of Christ in reaching the neglected classes in large cities. The cities include more than one-half the needy and neglected population of the country; so it is becoming evident they are the most important mission-field in our country. If we can convert the cities, we can convert the world.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society has proved its fitness for the care of the deaconess work by the economy and success that have attended its management. It can legitimately appropriate its funds for the establishment and maintenance of Deaconess Homes, because the Society was organized for the home field. There are many thinkers in the Church who believe that the deaconess work is best provided for by giving it into the care of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society in foreign lands, and to the Woman's Home Missionary Society in home lands. The action of the General Conference in 1896, in formally recognizing that the WOMAN'S HOME Missionary Society was entirely in its sphere in founding and maintaining Deaconess Homes, has greatly strengthened our work. God has blessed this work in connection with us. We have over 20 Deaconess Homes, five or six centers of separate work, and over twice as many trained workers as are employed in all other fields of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, and over two-fifths of the entire property of the Society is invested in Deaconess Homes. The immense labor that it has cost to provide for this large extension of the work is but little appreciated by even those of our Society who are in close contact with its active working, so quietly has the development of the cause proceeded.

It is bound to become still more important to the Woman's Home Missionary Society. At the present moment the Society is being importuned for workers, and for the establishment of Homes in eight or ten different cities that have not yet been entered by any form of deaconess work. Some members of the Society formerly had fears lest the deaconess work of the Society should interfere with the general work; but it has been clearly proven "that there is that scattereth and yet increaseth," for in the Conferences where Deaconess Homes have been maintained, we have greatly enlarged the general strength of the Society in other work, while in Conferences where Homes independent of the Society are located, the work of the Society has made no such advance. It should be kept in mind that the deaconess work is one that largely obtains local support, and so the Society meets the end for which it was organized most effectively, by awakening the interests of those in immediate contact with the practical work of Deaconess Homes. In truth, the expense of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the deaconess work is far less than that of even the smallest Bureau of its work, in any other direction. We are thankful to God for the blessing that has accompanied this work; we pray for his grace and wisdom to rest upon us in developing its extension.

There is another aspect in which the deaconess work must appeal to all lovers of mankind. It is a great sociological factor in the confused, disturbed condition of the present day. What is a deaconess? Only a Christian woman giving herself unreservedly to ministrations to humanity, "For the love of Christ, and in His Name." As a nurse deaconess or as a visiting deaconess, she enters the abodes of poverty and want as a familiar friend, and "as one that serveth." She comes at an opportune time. The great questions of the day are social questions affecting the relation of man to man. There is no thoughtful, loving soul who looks about at the hardships and inequalities of our present life, but secretly echoes the words of Dean Stanley when he said, "I long for the time to come when every man born into the world shall have a fair chance to become a scholar, a gentleman, and a Christian." Everywhere the thoughts of men are occupied with social dangers that many believe will usher in a new era. These questions pervade the fiction of the time. The novels that people are talking of are sociological novels. Hall Caine's "Christian," Bellamy's "Equality," and that noble conception of Mrs. Phelps-Ward, "A Singular Life," in one phase or another treat of social regeneration. Certainly this is a time for Christ's Church to come with new help for new needs. This we believe our deaconesses furnish. Self-sacrifice is the proof of love, and love touches humanity, and so our deaconesses interpret Christ's love to men and women, who often are strangers to our Churches.

The Secretary of the City Charities' Organization of New York says: "I regard deaconesses as the best intermediaries between our Society and its beneficiaries; they are the best workers among the masses." Our Church largely enlists as its members the well-to-do, the intelligent, and

the moral; the deaconess comes in loving sympathy to the poorest and most degraded, and the vicious; and so, loving my race and desiring to share in its social regeneration, as well as its future happiness, I delight in deaconess service. I never visit our Homes and watch their ministrations, as day by day these quiet-clad women pass in and out,

"But I think of the blessed countenance
Of One who walked by lane and field,
And with voice and look the suffering healed.
Still, where the cities' woes are thick,
The dear Christ-spirit heals the sick;
And yet he lives in the hearts of men,
And sends his angels with speed again
Wherever the weary plod and fall,
His care and tenderness over all."

As time forbids more, I have nearly finished the task I set myself to do. I have placed before you, in outline sketches only, the causes that have led to the formation of this Society of Christian women. Much has been left unsaid. I have not dwelt upon the discouragements that stand before us. At times, as we look about us, the task seems too great for our faith. Has the power of the liquor-traffic diminished? Are the Churches exercising as much influence in the great cities as are the saloons? Are not wealth and luxury causing us to forget that he who would follow Christ must take up his cross and deny himself? Are the great masses of men, the masses of voters, who are to determine our future, fully in sympathy with the best Christian civilization? These are the questions that disclose our perils. We have but to look backward, however, to the years that have passed, to see that the world is advancing. Abuses and wrongs have been overcome. Humanity is marching onward, "and where the vanguard camps to-day, the rear-guard camps to-morrow." The Spirit of the Lord is with us. "Lord, it is nothing with thee to help, whether with many or with them that have no power." It is his strength that makes his children strong and hopeful, that gives them vision to pierce the darkness of the present, and to look forward to that glad consummation of which poets have sung, which prophets have foreseen, and which true and noble souls the world over have hoped for and worked for,—the coming of Christ's Kingdom. Thank God, the darkness does not deepen! We are not the children of the night, but of the day! Let our hearts be filled with courage and hope, for

"Out of the shadow of night
The world moves into light;
It is daybreak everywhere."

THE TITHING SYSTEM BASAL WITH MANKIND.

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Mrs. McCabe prefaced her paper on the "Tithing System" with the following preamble and resolution.—ED.

"Since the Word of God is an unerring and all-sufficient guide, not only in the spiritual upbuilding of his kingdom, but also furnishes a system of finance, which has never failed to prove sufficient for all the material expenses also, and since we have tried our own methods of finance and have found them entirely inadequate; therefore,

"*Resolved*, That we suggest, as a business measure, that the Society avail itself of the financial system of its own Lord and Master, whose work we are prosecuting, because this system promises to us more money 'than we can receive.'"

"AND the city lieth foursquare." Of this glorious city which John saw in vision, we read in the last book of the Bible.

In Genesis, the first book of the Bible, we find another foursquare structure, and as we catch a glimpse of it, it might seem "the baseless fabric of a dream;" but looking into it, we find it to be the immutable foundation laid by God himself, the foundation of human society, which reappears in the heavenly city perfected and glorified in the Book of Revelation.

When the work of creation rose toward completion, and plant life and animal life covered the earth with beauty and interest, then God made man: "In the image of God created he him; male and female created he them." All things were ready for the great work of human development.

Is it only imagination to say that the first corner of the foursquare foundation of human society, laid in Eden, is *marriage*, a social tie, binding the race together, insuring its perpetuity, and instituting the family? Immediately we find a second corner, and it is *Labor*. For God said to man, speaking of the earth with its vegetation and its animals, "Subdue it," and "have dominion" over every living thing that moveth upon the earth." Dominion comes by labor. He that is greatest of all is the servant of all. If you want dominion, work. Labor was ordained, then, before man fell, and very likely in the Bible is the law which will settle the labor question of to-day. By labor, God bound man to the lower creation, creating the tie of dominion, as marriage, binding men together, was a social tie instituting the family. A little further on we find a third corner, and that is *Rest*—the Sabbath in which man turns from the multiplied works of God to God himself, thus revitalizing soul and body. This was a spiritual tie binding the race back to God, that man might not forget God by unbroken interest in his works.

The fourth was the one the world has ever considered all important—*Finance*. Yes, finance in Eden. Where people and labor are, demand and production, there must be some sort of finance, and all will agree that

no system of society could be framed and finance omitted. If MAN were to lay the foundations of human society, he would likely make finance the first corner of the structure, so important does history show finance to have been to mankind. Is it any more fanciful than any other view to say that when God commanded man, and said he might eat of all the trees of the garden but one, which he reserved, that he there began a financial system? We invest it with myth and allegory. No one yet has been able to be quite clear about it, only as we take the simple words, and tell our children that Adam took God's apple, which he commanded he should not. All these trees you may have, God said, and I will keep one. Thus did not God make himself a partner with man in material things? For trees are certainly material. This bound God and man together delightfully in the material tie of property partnership. It brought God into the workaday life of man. Six thousand years have flown away, but there are those who know, by experience, what this delightful partnership with God is, in the matter of money-making and material things.

Now this is the way the Divine heart of love and wisdom ordered life for man in the beginning. It was for the whole race, and for all time. We find the foundations in Genesis; the perfected and glorious outcome in the city of Revelation described by John. (Revelation xxi, 16.) Man fell, and these four primeval institutions felt the fall. Imperfect and mutilated, they still survive among all peoples. The traditions of Eden were ready to perish. If left to the general race, would they not utterly disappear? For has it not been said, "What is everybody's business is nobody's business?"

Therefore God ordained a nation of one family, to whom he committed these institutions, that they might be preserved for the welfare of mankind. He thus emphasized them. He intrenched them between the Ebal and Gerizim of blessing and penalty. He set them vividly before the world, that in this chosen nation their excellence might be illustrated. On the stream of time they were thus caught up, surrounded by a chain of law and statutes, in order that God's original plan might not be lost, but reflected into our future.

I have dwelt thus at length upon God's plan for the whole human race, in order to meet the objection commonly made to the "tithing system" of finance—that is, setting apart one-tenth of our property for religious purposes.

The objection is, that it is a Jewish observance, which has been abrogated by the Christian dispensation. That is a mistake.

It was not the primeval institutions of Marriage, of Labor, of the Sabbath, of the Tenth, all of which are absolutely essential to man's welfare, indeed a part of his nature, that were abolished by the new dispensation. Neither these nor the Decalogue were abrogated. It was only the shadowy rites and ceremonial law which were to end with the old dispensation, and which has ended forever.

With regard to the origin of the Tenth, as the proportion of our property which we are to consider not our own, but God's, we do not find a record of that proportion until the time of Abraham. But do we not find the principle in Eden, in the claiming of one tree by the Lord? Plainly, here is the principle of setting apart the Lord's portion. At what date the Tenth was adopted as the sufficient proportion, by no research has it been found. It is lost in the mists of antiquity. But we find in these mists that the custom of setting apart the Tenth for religious purposes was universal. Ages before there was a Jew, a prince of Chaldea gave a tenth of the spoils of the battle to a "priest of the most high God," a recognized type of Christ. (See Genesis xiv, 20.) There is record of a Syrian, "ready to perish," who promised the Lord to set apart his Tenth if the Lord would be with him and help him. (See Genesis xxviii, 20, 21, 22.)

These early records of the Tenth, as the customary ratio of property devoted to the Deity, found in our Scriptures, correspond with such records among all great nations of antiquity.

Having proved by ancient records that the Tenth was universally observed, and is the common inheritance of the race, shall we not believe that the fact of God's having enjoined its observance upon his chosen people is not so much an objection as a good reason for its observance by Christians of to-day, since it is one of the four institutions which proved a multiplied blessing to mankind?

Investigating the workings of the law of the Tenth, we find they show the wisdom of God. The Tenth proves itself to be the greatest of the "lost arts;" for it is practically one of them.

Almost without exception those who adopt the Tenth come back with a joyful testimony. The Churches which have adopted it, as Wesley Chapel has done in Cincinnati, find there is always "meat in the Lord's house." The expenses are all met, the collections all taken, the missionary collections—home, foreign, and city—exceed the tax, and money lies in the treasury; there is "meat in the Lord's house." This law of the Lord is perfect; perfect in method, perfect in result. Just like the Lord in all he does.

INJUSTICE.

Another objection sometimes heard is, that the law of the Tenth is unjust, in that a man with a small income could not set apart the Tenth without inconvenience. A man with an income of $10,000 would scarcely feel like giving a thousand, while fifty dollars would be seriously felt by one whose income is only $500.

We answer: it is a tax which treats all alike, gives all the dignity of citizenship and partnership, and since God is the Author, it can not be unjust. Our civil taxes do not discriminate, and their justice is unquestioned. Then a peculiar blessing is found to rest upon the nine-tenths, if we credit the best testimony.

ANOTHER OBJECTION

is, and it is quite different from the last, that the Tenth is too small a ratio. It is not in keeping with the largeness, the abounding fullness of the gospel dispensation. "All, all we owe. All is Christ's." These liberal hearts will say, they can not tell exactly, but they know their gifts exceed the Tenth. They think the law of the Tenth unworthy of them.

This is certainly a mistake. For if all expenses are met, all benevolences sustained, when the Tenth is the method, and if they are not met, are not sustained, when the Tenth is not observed, then we see God's wisdom is greater than ours. If all would give as some do, *very well.* But what business man would depend upon impulsive methods? There must be good, solid business methods. "See that ye make all things according to the pattern shewed thee in the mount." In all God's methods there is a marvelous exactness; no slipshod unthrift; and when God and man unite in accuracy, as they do, for instance, in guiding a ship across the ocean, we see the best results.

Would your business partner allow you to guess at his stipulated share of the profits, even though you should give him more, or thought you were giving him more than his dividend? Not at all; you would carefully balance the accounts.

Nor should we guess at God's share of our profits. It is only when we know he has our Tenth that we can make a free-will offering. If we have not intelligently taken out the Tenth, how do we know that we are not making a supposed thank-offering to the Lord out of his own share? "Be just before you are generous." And you can not be just with God unless you adopt business methods with him, as you do with men. He has a contract with us. The terms are explicit. God says, "The Tenth is mine," nine-tenths yours. Do n't guess, or even "be sure you give a tenth." A good deacon thought he "knew" he gave more than a Tenth. His gifts daily "kept his pocketbook empty" he said. One day he rejoiced in the returns from his wheat-crop, $600 net. His devoted wife immediately slipped a tithing-book into his hand. "What," he exclaimed, "take $60 out of this money. O, that 's too much." The shrewd wife had suggested to him before, that if he were giving more than a Tenth, would it not be economy to find out just what his Tenth was.

In doing one good thing, God always does two. First, the Tenth provides for all religious enterprises; and, then, second, keeping accounts balanced, in order to know exactly what the Tenth is, brings care, energy, order, and thrift into our business. No doubt this is part of the secret of the material prosperity which usually attends, and was promised to those obedient to this command. Truly God is love, even in business.

What is my Tenth? How shall I proceed to find it? It is the Tenth of your salary, or of the net proceeds of your business after you have paid your taxes.

The Tenth set apart, the nine-tenths left, are for the expenses of yourself and family.

It is worthy of note that it is not alone the rich who rejoice in the Tenth, but those in moderate circumstances and the poor. The magnificent record made by old Wesley Chapel, Cincinnati, beginning with the rich, was largely made by newsboys and serving-maids. And that is another good thing belonging to the Tenth. Not only it makes a man orderly and thrifty, but elevates him with a consciousness that he is the partner of a King, and in very deed a citizen of Zion, one of many brethren. I know no club in this age of clubs whose members have more self-respect than do these givers of the Tenth.

From *Christian Educator*, of the Freedmen's Aid Society, I clip the following:

"How few persons recognize the taxing system of the Old Testament, which applies to the income of all persons! When the books are opened, it may be found there has been as much evasion in the payment of taxes to the King of saints as unto Cæsar. The tithing system of the Old Testament, which is recognized and approved by the New, is simply a system of taxation among Christian people. If the Missionary Society could get an equitable share of a faithful payment of the tithes, the entire debt would be raised in the next collection over the Church. There are men who faithfully observe this obligation. Here is a letter from a superannuate, who writes as follows:

" 'My salary in the ministry averaged $370 per year for nearly fifty years. I had six children, and was obliged to keep a horse, but I always gave one-tenth to the cause of God. My income now is $180, and I tithe that—the inclosed is part of it. I gave the same amount for the Missionary debt. In my fifty years, I preached 6,591 times, traveled 28 circuits—some of them had 15 appointments. We had extensive and glorious revivals. On one charge I received 120 probationers. E. and C. Circuit was 25 miles long. The ruling spirit is still strong. We have a mighty grip on souls that only death can loosen."

I believe the many earnest words spoken and written on this great subject by the Woman's Home Missionary Society have already borne fruit.

On all sides there is an awakening interest. The young people, too, are moving, and their multitudinous Leagues are systematically spreading information upon the lost art of the Tenth, and making practical sentiment thereupon.

But you say, What can women do, since so few women control funds? That is an important problem, and we are going to solve it practically.

Women may not control funds, but they can make sentiment. They can gradually influence, and so control their husbands.

In the beginning we have in this very matter a striking example. Who was it influenced her husband to put forth his hand, and take the forbidden fruit—the property, the small share God had set apart for himself? It was the all-persuasive woman—"the woman thou gavest me," the husband said. And now, redeemed by the gospel and with all the grace

and wisdom the gospel gives, what could be more fitting than that the woman should use her persuasive influence to bring man back to right money relations with God, to restore that which in Eden she persuaded him to take away?

I believe labor to bring about the observance of the Tenth is one of the foremost duties of this Society. For is not money the great want of the Church in order to save the world? If money is withheld, prayer is withheld. There is certainly something wrong. What can be the matter? Why are the windows of heaven shut; and the King's servants, why do they go begging over the land? Is it not because we have taken our own methods, and set aside God's?

There was a Church, we will suppose, of six hundred members, young and old. It unanimously adopted the tithing system. The average income of the three hundred families was $200 annually. The Tenth was $6,000. Never before had they been able to meet expenses. The liberal had put their hands in their pockets again and again to meet deficiencies. The sisters made suppers and sales to get money for God from outsiders. Here was $6,000, and no anxious effort to get it. The preacher the year before could not get all of his $1,200. This year, with shining faces, the Board votes him $2,000. One thousand more goes to Home Missions, one to Foreign, $500 to city work, $1,000 for current expenses, and $500 are left in the treasury. Is it not plainly to be seen what is the matter with the finances of the Church, when God himself declares that the key which unlocks the bank of heaven, and pours floods through its windows, is the devout observance of the Tenth? (See Malachi iii, 7-12.)

The Rev. Dr. Miller, of Charlotte, N. C., a divine of high repute in the South, and one of the ablest scholars in this country, says: "The law of the tithe is binding upon the Christian Church, according to the judgment of the fathers and the voice of the Church, *uncontradicted for more than a thousand years.* It is a sad thought that the faith of the Jews and of the heathen should exceed ours. It was a proverb among the Jews, *Pay tithes and be rich.* The heathen made the same observation, viz., that he who paid most to his gods did receive most from them. They saw God's judgments upon them for not paying him his *tenth;* they repented, restored the *tithe,* and were delivered. But we Christians remain the only incurable infidels, and we refuse to pay God that which, by a universal decree, he has from the beginning reserved to himself."

We quote this utterance of the distinguished Dr. Miller as emphasizing the very important fact that *the tithe is from the beginning, and universal as the race,* even as are marriage and the Sabbath. (See "McClintock and Strong's Encyclopedia," upon the subject of the Tithe, where it is exhaustively treated by specialists.)

ADDRESS OF REV. A. H. AMES, D. D.,

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IT ought to be understood, though apparently it is not, that philanthropy is a science, conforming to those conditions under which the Divine Being has subjected all created things. Its inspiring motive is due to grace, but in its practical methods it is under the dominion of law. The object of all real charity is not simply to alleviate present distress, but to work a radical cure of moral disease; and this can not be done without a knowledge of the roots out of which it springs. It is happily true that some exhibition of charity's divine mission lies within the reach of every benevolent heart, just as some familiarity with the heavenly bodies is attainable without exact knowledge of astronomy. But as knowledge far more accurate and profound is requisite to guide mariners over stormy seas and through fog and mist, to weigh the masses and calculate the orbits of the stars, so also right direction of our possibilities and our impulses to be helpful to our fellow-beings demands profound knowledge of the laws by which society is governed. A ministrant of charity, or agent of benevolence, whose sense of moral proportion is distorted, like Hogarth's well-known caricature of perspective; who confounds peccadilloes with perverseness, and weakness with wickedness; who can not discriminate between shiftlessness and viciousness; who puts neglect of tithing mint, anise, and cummin on a par with disregard of the weightier matters of the law; who, in her zeal to mitigate present suffering, abandons self-control and foresight of results, and who, by perpetuating the helplessness and moral imbecility which she ought to cure, sacrifices the welfare of the State, the family, and the Church,—is hardly qualified to direct consciences wisely, to distribute benevolence safely, or to commend the cause of religion to the thoughtful. The desire to be of service to others is a noble one, all too rare in this world; but the mere possession of faculties does not guarantee their wise use.

It is the case with all the sciences, that no accurate knowledge of one is possible without some acquaintance with others, since the whole creation is most intricately bound together. In like manner philanthropy requires familiarity more or less complete with theology, psychology, ethics, economics, sanitation, sociology; and every act of benevolence involves the practice of all these. Should any one attempt to expound the Bible, the possibility of erroneous teaching is not inconsistent with the purest intention; should one be called on to give advice in critical junc-

tures, and where important issues relating to individual or family life are involved, acquaintance with ethics is essential; should one, out of the kindest motives, attempt to correct the evils of the world, and to interpose between labor and capital, between landlord and tenant, between unscrupulous and rapacious avarice, and helpless and hopeless poverty, a comprehension of the complex problems of economics is necessary. Indeed, at all times, and in all cases, the power and the wish to benefit and bless imposes the responsibility of doing it with thoughtfulness, prudence, and skill. It must be by an accurate and wide observation of facts, by discriminating and judicious comparison, by logical and impartial deduction, by unselfish and pure application to existing conditions, that the impulse to serve God and man becomes exalted from a blind and mischievous zeal into a well-directed and successful effort to elevate the whole tone of an age, and to transform the helpless, infirm, and vicious, suffering from evil heredity, from unwholesome environments, and from moral obliquity, into normal and self-respecting members of society. Nowhere than in philanthropy are the proverbs more true, that "prevention is better than cure," and that "an ounce of mother is worth more than a pound of priest."

It was presumably with this end in view that your National Training-school was instituted; this, at least, is the purpose which now governs its methods. It were an easy task to receive young women, to cultivate those devotional impulses which animate them in a high degree, and then to send them out to gather such lessons as by their experiments, failures, or in some such haphazard way they might acquire; but this would hardly justify the expense which your Society incurs. Your desire is to have sensible, practical, and efficient, as well as deeply religious, helpers in your various fields—women who shall know how to do good, as well as have a wish to do it. These young enthusiasts who come to us richly endowed spiritually, consecrated, and self-sacrificing in an unusual measure, are to be taught that the training-school is for hard study and serious brain-work. The opportunities of school-life will never be repeated, and the moments, too few at best for all they need to learn, can not be wasted in crude and ill-digested experiments.

It is greatly to be wished that some more concerted plan for the selection of students could be put into operation. So far as educational qualifications are concerned, the officers of the school are competent to judge between candidates. We are gradually elevating the standard of requirements, although this is difficult by reason of the fact that the deaconess life can hold out to no one any prospect but that of exhausting work and meager compensation. We must demand that candidates shall possess at least a common-school education, because in our limited period of two scholastic years we have not time to repair serious faults, and also because those only whose minds have been trained by education to distinguish things that differ, are able to profit by the higher social and Biblical teaching which we impart.

But there are other qualifications essential to a successful deaconess or missionary; such as strength of character, capacity for leadership, earnestness and tenacity of purpose, a spirit of docility and teachableness, tact, good sense, and freedom from eccentricities, about which we are compelled to rely on the representations of others. Experience shows us that realities differ sometimes quite widely from the idealized characters represented in recommendations, pastoral and otherwise. Some effective system, generally adopted, which shall aid the school to select cultivated, judicious, and capable, as well as religious and devout women, would save the Society the expense of some costly failures.

I do not say this apologetically. The school has been singularly fortunate in its students. Taking into account that every man's hand, "like the dyer's, is subdued to that it works in," and that the utmost to be expected of us is that we shall give to the material committed to us that polish which its fiber is capable of receiving, and allowing for the fact that contact with the actual work will sometimes disclose unsuspected and latent weaknesses, the school has reason to be proud of its graduates. They compare favorably with those trained elsewhere, and the demand for them continues to far exceed the supply. But the school has a future before it, and should prepare for it prudently and systematically.

Most of those who during the past year assisted in the instruction of the school—Biblical, theological, ethical, medical, or practical—will continue to render us their much appreciated aid. Others have kindly accepted my invitation to assist us in the various departments. With all sincerity, I can say that I believe our corps of instructors is the best we have ever had, and the grade of instruction is certainly being perceptibly elevated.

The pupils of the school are now being organized into an Auxiliary of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, and are also conducting an ideal Society on the model of your Board of Managers, thus becoming inducted into an acquaintance with your various Bureaus and fields of work, for which service we are greatly indebted to Mrs. Dr. J. E. Gilbert, of Washington. I hope that sufficient copies of your Annual Report and of your monthly missionary papers will be donated to the school to make the experiment a success. During the past year the school enjoyed the favor of a visit from Mrs. Jane Bancroft Robinson, whose address on the history of the Deaconess Movement, especially in connection with your Society, gave to the students a knowledge of the subject not otherwise to be gained.

The Lucy Webb Hayes is designated by you as a National Training-school. By this is meant, not only that it shall receive students from all parts of the land, and that they shall be ready for assignent to any of the fields of the Society, but also that it shall be National in the sense of being superior to the local schools connected with Deaconess Homes, by giving a course of instruction more comprehensive, complete, and thorough than is possible therein. But if such a school is deemed by you to

be a necessity, it can maintain its superiority over local schools only by a policy more liberal than has hitherto been pursued.

The school should be furnished with at least twice the number of resident teachers, and with buildings to accommodate four times its present numbers. In some very important branches of applied science we are compelled to rely on volunteer aid, which has been indeed cheerfully given, and has been very efficient; but such aid can not always be expected, and hardly equals the efficiency of exclusive service.

The importance of the Training-school, and the relation in which it will increasingly stand to the educational work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, justify it in asking special consideration for its claims. Whatever is done for it in the increase of its facilities inures to the permanent welfare of the Society. A building sufficient to accommodate the needs of the school, and adapted to its uses could probably be erected for the sum of thirty thousand dollars. It will be found, I think, very much more economical in the end than to attempt to repair or improve the present building. I most earnestly hope the Society will give its hearty indorsement to such an enterprise, and take steps towards its realization.

When one thinks of the possibilities that lie in the work of deaconesses, of the vast influence they might exert toward assimilating with us the heterogeneous masses seeking our shores, whose knowledge of religion has been only of its shows, its rapacities, its hypocrisies, and its tyranny, and in permeating with light and joy and hope by their beneficent presence that black cloud of poverty, vice, disease, crime, and sin which threatens our institutions and our life, surely patriotism and religion should gladly combine to help them in the solution of these problems so serious to Church and State.

And when one knows that while vast fields of ripened grain all about us are drooping their heads to receive the sickle of the reaper, there are in our Church so many noble and heroic women, pious, tactful, and wise, who have heard the Master's summons, and are eager to respond, but who must say, "No man hath hired us," surely in the presence of such possibilities and conditions it does not seem too much to ask that the Church shall respond to the call. Is there any work more like the Master's than this? Has the Church enterprises more in keeping with its mission, and more hopeful in its results than this? About many prospective forms of benevolence there may be, in the minds of the judicious, serious doubt; about this there can be none. It profits all classes, it antagonizes none save the vicious and vile. It benefits alike the State and the Church, the individual and the family. It meets both the spiritual and temporal needs of mankind. It combines the faith which leans upon the cross with the works which embody love, and thus tends to the purity of the heart and of society. Surely there must be amongst those intrusted with wealth and alive to its responsibilities, some who will be glad to contribute to such a cause.

For the meager sum of $100 for a scholastic year, we guarantee to

give to our students board, lodging, tuition, and all necessary things save clothes, and after two years of training to send them out disciplined and competent workers. Are there not many to whom the gift of this amount would be a pleasure?

To the young women, especially the educated and cultivated, we appeal. The avocations of life are being rapidly filled; that of wise and helpful benevolence is not. Worldly emolument we can not promise; the approval of God and of conscience we can. If the consciousness of following in the footsteps of Jesus, of helping to make the world better, life happier, and society purer, of gaining a crown of everlasting life, is a reward worth living, sacrificing, and dying for, enlist in this cause, and help to carry out the Master's wish and prayer.

In the midst of the restless and turbulent ocean of time one truth stands firm like an island of hope; that from the beginning some unseen Power outside the human race has been guiding it. From the grossness and rudeness of barbarism up to the delicate refinements and courtesies of civilization, from the isolation and obtuseness of the savage to organized society with its complicated order, from ignorance and blind superstition to the rational knowledge of nature's secrets and powers, from brutal disregard and contempt of one's fellows up to the sense of humanity, which permeates modern Christian life, intensifying the bonds of union so that every blow is felt by all, and every cry of distress and moan of pain resounds through the house of the world, some kind Hand has led man on, some gentle Voice has called him forward. In spite of temptation and frequent defeat, in spite of apathy and revolution, in spite of many a regression of the tides and recurrences of the waves, progress is continuous and perceptible. Would we know what this Power is? The apostle of love, the biographer of Christ, has told us; "In Him was life, and the life was the light of men." It is Christ, the Word and revelation of God; Christ, the outbeaming of the Father's glory; Christ, the archetype and ideal of man; Christ, the Lamb slain from the beginning, who has presided over the race; and gradually but surely the world moves on toward the Christ.

It is Christ in the heart which is the inspiration of the Deaconess Movement; it is Christ on the throne which is the aim of her mission. It is his gentleness and strength, his benevolence and his wisdom which she seeks to imitate; it is the establishment of his universal kingdom which she endeavors to realize. And whoever does even so much as to give to one of these, his disciples, a cup of cold water, in his name, shall in no wise lose his reward.

REPORTS FROM BUREAUS.

BUREAU FOR EAST SOUTHERN STATES.

THIS Bureau comprises all the work of our Society in the States of Georgia and Florida. The work grows rapidly, and with its growth come increasing cares and responsibilities. We again request that the Bureau be divided, so that the work in Georgia—namely, Thayer Home, in connection with Clark University, at Atlanta, and Haven Home and School, Savannah, and Mary Haven Home and School, be constituted one Bureau for Georgia; and Boylan Home and School, Jacksonville, and Emerson Home and School, Ocala, shall form a Bureau for Florida.

We also request that Mrs. G. E. Palen, so long our faithful and efficient Chairman of the work at Savannah, be made Secretary of the Bureau for Georgia. The work could not be placed in more competent hands; she fully understands it, and is greatly beloved by the missionaries.

Thayer Industrial Home, Atlanta, Ga.

Our family numbered seventeen, and were taught in all that pertains to good housekeeping. Lectures were given on many practical subjects. Our girls in this Home are more mature than in some of our other Homes. The most of them go from us to important positions. Many of them go as wives of ministers to homes of their own. It is our aim to see that they are thoroughly furnished in all practical lines, in order than they may become leaders among the people, and their little homes may indeed be "model homes."

We try, as far as possible, to follow these girls in their life-work, and to know in this way something of the fruits of our work. We are glad to say to you that the reports that come to us, not only encourage us in the work, but that they are exceedingly gratifying. A number of our girls have excellent positions as teachers. Some of them we would be glad to employ, but we are not able to pay them as high salaries as they receive elsewhere. From those who have visited the little parsonages over which our girls preside, we have only words of praise and commendation. These homes are centers where the people gladly gather, and receive help and instruction, and are inspired to return to their little hovels and miserably kept quarters, and to try to transform them into something that shall at least have the semblance of a home. Thus the leaven is working, and the influence that is going out from our Homes in the great Southland is being felt and acknowledged. It is our hope that finally the whole land will be permeated by the influence. Then these miserable abodes in which these people now dwell will become homes indeed. Who can estimate the blessings that will come to our entire land?

The work of Thayer Home is not confined to the girls who live in the Home. The girls in Clark University come to it for lessons in sewing and cooking, and have the benefit of this object-lesson—a well-kept home. The young men are unconsciously benefited by this same object-lesson, and will never again be satisfied to live in the old way, but will return to try to make things better and brighter.

Thayer sent a fine exhibit to the Nashville Exposition, a credit to the Home and to the Society. The Home will be crowded this year; cots will be used in the sewing-room to accommodate the girls, but many will be turned away for lack of room. The poverty of the people is such that but few will be able to pay their way; but they are promising girls, and we must not deny them the help needed to fit them for a life of usefulness.

Haven Industrial Home and School, and Mary Haven Industrial Home and School, Savannah, Ga.

Mrs. G. E. Palen, Chairman of the Committee on Savannah work, reports as follows:

"Our four missionaries in this field have been the same as for the previous three years. A more devoted corps of workers can not be found anywhere. Their consecration to their work is complete, and the results are such as never flow from half-hearted or perfunctory performance of duty.

"Haven Home had forty-five inmates during most of the school year. They were very much crowded; but the pressure for admission was so great, that it was hard to refuse worthy applicants; and yet many were turned away because no possible place could be found for them.

"The day-school numbered 230, with an average attendance of about 200. We could have had double the number had there been room for them. The needs of this work seem to increase year by year, rather than grow less. A fine, commodious school-building for white children has been put up in the neighborhood of our Home recently. It should have been for Negro children, as they greatly outnumber the white children; but petitions and protests were of no avail. This fact emphasizes the need of *our* having increased accommodations; for it is not thought that the city authorities will meet this want for some years.

"Our day school not only develops the intellect, but it is a most positive evangelizing agency; and the opportunity for doing good through it, is one the Society should appreciate.

"The primary department in Haven Home, and the sewing and music remained under the charge of our two efficient and faithful colored helpers; girls of our own training, who were also with us last year.

"Five hundred girls have been inmates of this Home since it was opened, and four thousand pupils have been in the day school. Who can estimate the wide sweep of this influence?

"Miss Herron writes of the great enjoyment she has had in her work. She reports a day-school of forty pupils and four girls, sometimes more, composing her little family. While this work is a limited one, it is a satisfaction to know that it meets a great need, and that it is having a definite and wholesome influence in a community that, but for it, would be destitute of every uplifting influence."

Boylan Industrial Home and School.

Boylan Home was opened April 1, 1886, in a six-room cottage, with only five girls. Through the benefactions of our ever-generous friend, Mrs. A. De Groot, we have been enabled to enlarge the original building, and purchase additional ground and buildings, so that last year we cared for thirty-five girls in the Home, and two hundred and thirty-five in the day-school.

The night-school was an interesting feature of the work. Men and women who had labored hard all day, were glad to spend their evenings in the school-room, in order that they might learn enough to be able

to read their Bibles. The teachers were weary, too, and needed their evenings for rest; but they gladly gave the additional time and strength to those who so much needed their help.

We had two hundred girls in sewing-classes, six in dressmaking, twenty-four in cooking-classes, seventy-five in kitchengarten, and thirty-five in kindergarten classes.

The girls made five quilts, twenty-four dresses, and one hundred and eighty-eight other garments. Besides this, they made six hundred and seventy-two pieces of sample work, and repaired and mended eight hundred and thirty-two garments. In our Mission Bands we had three hundred and seventy girls. Our missionaries made six hundred and forty-eight calls, and gave out twelve hundred and sixteen garments. They carried forward other lines, which we can not here specify.

Every Friday afternoon is devoted to prayer-meeting and Bible-study. A deep spiritual influence pervades the Home.

Since its opening eighty of the girls have been converted, which is a cause for great rejoicing.

Twenty-four of our girls have completed the required work, six are now teaching, seven in schools of higher grade, three are competent dressmakers, two are efficient helpers in the Home, four are married, and one died a happy Christian.

The Home has been kindly remembered by many friends, but no gift is more appreciated than that of a beautiful flag, 13 by 7 feet, which was presented by two gentlemen, to whom we are indebted for numerous favors in the past, some of which, we fear, have not been properly acknowledged. They are the brother and brother-in-law of Miss Emerson; Arthur W. Emerson and David W. Plumer, who are our true and tried friends.

We are still in need of many things; especially a better equipment for our Industrial Department, which we consider of great importance.

Emerson Memorial Industrial Home.

In our Home family we have had fourteen girls, ranging from twelve to twenty-one years of age, and forty-five in the day-school. The usual cooking and sewing lessons were given to large classes, one hundred and twenty garments were made, and a large amount of mending and fancy work done, sixty-nine pieces of work were sent to the Nashville Exposition, which received honorable mention.

The girls in Emerson Home have made marked improvement in the use of the needle, as well as in other lines of work. They have come from poorer homes, and have had fewer advantages, perhaps, than the girls in some of our other Homes. The appreciation which they show for what is being done for them, and the rapid improvement made by them, is indeed very gratifying. Our missionaries here are a power in the Church; they look after its interests, both spiritual and temporal; sometimes conducting services in the absence of the pastor. They attended two hundred and ninety-one religious services, and made one hundred and sixty-nine calls in the interest of the work.

The closing exercises were largely attended, and full of interest. During the year six girls were converted. This Home has received but little help, either in the way of beneficiary money or supplies. We trust that in the future our ladies will take more interest in it, and give it the help that it needs. As is the case in this Home, so is it in all the other Homes. The work that is reported does not cover all that has been done, as neither time nor space will permit.

The work in all the Homes has been managed most carefully and economically. The year was a trying one to all connected with our work,

and was especially so for our missionaries, who were at times compelled to make one dollar do the work of two, and often when the last dollar was gone, they did not know when the next would be sent. They were brave and loyal, and endured hardships; and when their little salaries finally came, they contributed out of that source to our Emergency Fund, thus really helping to pay their own salaries.

The new year has opened—the missionaries are at their posts, full of courage and earnest resolve to make the best year's work that they have ever done. We ask for each of them your confidence, your love, your sympathy. We ask this for the workers in all the Homes of the Bureau. Although we have asked that the Bureau be divided, we shall not cease to love and take an interest in the Homes that will go to form a separate Bureau. We feel somewhat as a mother does when she sends out her older children from the home-circle—though it may be a trial, she feels that it will be for the best interests of the children. To Thayer and Haven we gave our first, and perhaps our best, work in Home Missionary lines. We thank God for the success that has attended our labors and those of our faithful missionaries. We anticipate for it continued and great success, and gladly give it into the care of so competent a Secretary.

We feel that we can not close our reports without referring to the great need of Home Missionary work at Key West, Florida, and to the remarkable work which has been done there during the last three years by Mrs. Sara A. Daley, formerly one of our missionaries. She has carried on the work largely at her own expense. The story of her privations and trials would touch your hearts, could we give them to you.

We are aware that our finances will not warrant us in opening up any new work at this time, but we ask you to consider this work favorably; and when the time comes when new work can be undertaken, we ask that you will provide for this work in a manner adequate to the needs of this field.

Meanwhile we would recommend that you appropriate $300 to help in carrying forward this work, and to enable Mrs. Daley to secure the help which she so greatly needs.

SARAH M. Y. WHETSTONE,
Secretary of Bureau of East Southern States.

BUREAU FOR EAST CENTRAL STATES.

THE Industrial Home at Orangeburg, S. C., and the Industrial Homes and Schools at Asheville, N. C., and Camden, S. C., are under the supervision of this Bureau.

Simpson Home, Orangeburg, S. C.

Our Home at this point has shared in the general prosperity of Claflin University, after the adjustment of the difficulties attending the separation of the interests of this institution from the support of the State of South Carolina.

The Home is crowded to its utmost capacity, and more applicants have been refused than they were able to receive. An urgent appeal comes to us from the Faculty of "Claflin" for an additional building, because so many parents object to sending their daughters to the university unless they can have the shelter and training of our Home. At no distant time this building must be added, but at present we can do no more than to enlarge the capacity of the building we now have by the

completion of an attic, which can be made to accommodate four or six girls. A small amount has already been given for this purpose, but $100 is still needed. In addition to the excellent training in the house department, under the direction of Miss Eva Penfield, the faithful superintendent so long connected with this work, our girls are surrounded by a religious atmosphere. The revival spirit is almost continuous in the university, and conversions are frequent and genuine; and as our girls go out from here, they go, without exception, as professing Christians.

Browning Home, Camden, S. C.

This institution maintains its high order of work and discipline, and has had during the past year thirty-nine girls in the Home, and one hundred and eighty in the school. Three courses—Preparatory, English, and Normal—in which the students, girls and boys, range from ten to twenty-five years in age, are maintained.

During the past year the income from the school not only paid all the current expenses, but returned $645 to the treasury.

For the past two years this surplus income has been set apart for an improvement fund, and with the addition of a loan from Mrs. James Mather, a special friend of this work, we are now able to make additions and improvements to the amount of $2,000. The proposed changes in the building will not only add to the convenience of every department, but provide accommodation for a much larger number of girls. At the last session of the South Carolina Conference many pastors testified to the efficiency of the training in this Home, and its healthful religious influence.

Allen Home, Asheville, N. C.

The dedicatory services of our new building were held on February 9th, conducted by Dr. Manly Hard. The occasion was honored by the presence of the city pastors of all denominations, and the best citizens of Asheville. Appropriate addresses were made, followed by the raising of a magnificent flag, the gift of Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk, and a form of dedication in harmony with the Ritual of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Under the watchful care of our untiring friend, Dr. L. M. Pease, the building was brought to a degree of perfection, much beyond that usually obtained with such an amount of expenditure, and receives the most favorable comment from all who have visited it. All the pledges made the previous year for the building were fully met, and over $7,000 paid out during the year. The remaining debt of $1,800 has also been pledged, and with this paid we shall be in possession of an excellent property, including not only the new building, but a school-building and two cottages adjoining.

Fourten girls are now in the Home, and one hundred and eight in attendance in the school. With this excellent equipment, we hope to make this a center of industrial training for this section. At the present time many applications are coming from girls not able to provide their own support, and beneficiary aid is greatly needed. We trust that the Society will help a number of these to receive the advantage of training, where so much has already been done to provide for it in this excellent building.

MRS. E. L. ALBRIGHT, *Secretary.*

BUREAU FOR WEST CENTRAL STATES.

Ritter Industrial Home.

Reported by Mrs. D. L. Williams, Chairman of Committee.

THERE were in Ritter Home last year seventy-five different pupils, and an average of sixty-eight. The last year has been the best year of our work at this Home. The girls have been tractable and faithful to their domestic and their school duties.

A Tuesday evening prayer-meeting has been sustained in the Home during the entire year. Besides this, the girls attend Sabbath-school, are all members of the Epworth League, always attend the Sabbath Church services morning and evening and the Wednesday evening prayer-meeting.

The work of the Superintendent is held in high esteem. She is Secretary of the Holston Conference Woman's Home Missionary Society, and has been doing good work to develop an interest in Home Mission work. She attended the Annual Meeting of the Conference Society, and made an address. A local paper had this paragraph concerning it: "We were especially favored in having with us Mrs. F. V. Chapman, of Ritter Home, Athens. She is a host in herself. Her enthusisam is boundless. She did us all good. O, for more such consecrated workers as Mrs. Chapman!"

The little village of Athens, with a very weak Church, made up largely of students, has paid this year into our treasury $100. Of this money, $45 was a self-denial offering to the Emergency Fund from our Home, secured in part by doing without butter for one month in the Home, and in part by the sale of work.

The Holston Conference met this fall at Athens, and as Ritter Home was the most commodious place in the village, a reception was given the Conference by our school. A guest from Chattanooga, a layman, writes commending the order and beauty of the Home, and the Woman's Home Missionary Society for sustaining such an excellent institution for Southern girls.

I can not enough emphasize the wisdom of making Athens a strong point of missionary and educational influence in our Society. The Church Extension Society knows the importance of this point in the Central South.

Bishop Hartzell says, in the *Christian Educator*, in justification for an expenditure of $100,000 by the Church Extension Society upon Grant University, located at Athens and Chattanooga: "Around this educational center will gather the forces of our own Methodism among the white people of the Central South; and from its halls and the score of academies associated with it, will go forth ministers, physicians, and Christian teachers, not only to lead our own Methodism in that section, but to add inspiration and strength to the forces of our Christian civilization among other Churches and peoples as well." Ritter Home is no mean factor in this important work.

Kent Home.

This Home, in connection with Bennett Seminary, has had ten girls under the care of Miss Ida Lewis, our Superintendent, and Miss S. E. Thornborough, as assistant.

We would report the year as a prosperous one, the girls having more nearly come up to the expectation of their teachers in school-work. We had some sickness in the Home in the early part of the year, but nothing serious interfered with its usefulness and ultimate success. A mission was

opened by Miss Thornborough, who is a deaconess, in one of the most needy parts of the city. She reports great interest, a gift of an organ, and the assistance and co-operation of the professors of Bennett College in this work. The Home was open at Commencement in June, and visitors from all parts of the Conference were greatly interested, not only in the Home, but in the exhibition in the Sewing Department. Kent Home certificates were given to three girls who completed the two-years' course in this department.

Some needed repairs were made after school closed. The Superintendent begs for the coming year such supplies as will gladly increase the results for which she labors, and adds: "We thank God sincerely for his presence with us, and his blessing on our work this past year. The outlook for our work at Greensboro the coming year is promising."

This Home was visited by our National President, Mrs. Fisk, and Mrs. Kent, who made valuable suggestions for the work of the new year.

Let me bespeak for this Home prayer and active sympathy.

New Jersey Home.

This Industrial Home is connected with the Academy, and has just completed its sixth year. We have had a family of nineteen girls, with Miss Annie E. Mosher as Superintendent, and Mrs. Snow as assistant. We have found this family to be earnest and faithful in their endeavor to acquire the necessary knowledge, this being their one opportunity. We have tried to impress the idea that there is something higher than to shelter a few girls, instruct in bread-making or dress-fitting, necessary as that may be. It is to have a standard of cultured Christian womanhood, an example of well-ordered living, frugal, not penurious, simple and economical. There is an educational value in the making of a bed, the sweeping of a room, the ironing of a garment. It is not merely to accomplish the work, but to impress the mind that the every-day duties of life can be beautified by the "Whatsover ye do" requirement of the gospel.

These girls have been guided and guarded with conscientious care, anxious to develop self-supporting Christian women. The influence of this Home life and training with spiritual help is to dignify labor. That our desire to broaden this influence is ever present will be shown by a roll of 113 girls and boys in our sewing classes. Order, neatness, politeness, and gentleness have been mingled with the stitches.

Our Mothers' Meetings, held on the campus, have been attended by women who have hurried from their labor at home, long distances away, but who appreciated that at these meetings the Lord has been most graciously manifested in these hours of prayer. We would be glad if we could give the testimonies of these earnest, simple women. One said: "I tell you these meetin's is a feed to me. I 've been like a new greased wagon ever since the first one. I just run along easy-like over every difficult." Our Superintendent has rejoiced over the interest of the Michigan Conference in her personally, and is grateful to these friends and to others for evidences of genuine loyalty.

As Secretary for Kent and New Jersey Homes, let me urge upon Auxiliaries to press the needs of these Homes as to help to make this coming year the best for the girls who may be fortunate enough to enter.

MARY FISK PARK,
Secretary of Bureau for West Central States.

BUREAU FOR MISSISSIPPI.

Bennett Home, Clarkson, Miss.

OUR first visit was to Bennett Home. At Clarkson is also located Woodland Academy, under the care of the Methodist Episcopal Church. When Woodland Academy was established, I am informed that three hundred acres of land were purchased, and the academy building erected. Bennett Home, for white girls, was built on a portion of this three-hundred-acre tract, under contract of purchase. It was in charge of Miss Florence Jackman (now Mrs. F. J. Gunn), as Superintendent, and Miss Nora Willingham, assistant.

Mrs. Richards, whose husband is President of Woodland Academy, was in charge of the Sewing Department, and also teacher of music.

The girls, sixteen in number, were all in classes in Woodland Academy. Our visit was at the close of the year to both institutions, the academy and Home, and it was not the most favorable time for observing the operations and condition of the Home.

Bennett Home has been conducted at less expense to our Society than any other of our Industrial Homes, and the cost per capita is less than that of any of which I have knowledge. The food in all respects is excellent, and well prepared. Miss Jackman had so managed that the average cost of boarding for teacher and pupil was only $3 per month. An inspection of the buildings disclosed the fact that the smaller house occupied by Professor and Mrs. Richards, and in part by six of the girls, needed a new roof, the expense of which was estimated at $20, which amount I have secured since our visit, and paid into the treasury of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. Since the close of the year Miss Jackman has married, and is now the wife of the Rev. F. J. Gunn. Mrs. Gunn, however, returned to Clarkson in September, to oversee the work necessary to be done, and Miss Abby S. Putnam, the newly-elected Superintendent, a graduate of the Ohio State University, of Columbus, Ohio, and an excellent Christian young woman, will take charge the 1st of November. She will be assisted by Mrs. Richards in the Sewing Department. I was greatly pleased with the location and condition of the Home. The employment of Mrs. Richards as one of the teachers was fortunate. She is a cultured lady, and her presence and influence upon the girls are beneficial. Mrs. Bennett, in whose honor the Home is named, made possible the employment of Mrs. Richards, and in fact contributed the whole amount needed for her support last year.

E. L. Rust Home, Holly Springs, Miss.

This Home was visited in May last by Mrs. Dr. Rust and myself. Miss Sophia Johnston, Superintendent, Mrs. J. D. Speer, assistant. Twenty-six girls were in the Home, and also in the classes of Rust University. Mrs. Speer, in charge of the Sewing Department, did very efficient work; Miss Ella Phillips, in charge of the Nurse-training Department. Miss Johnston, who has been the faithful Superintendent of the Home from its opening, a period of thirteen years, finds her health so impaired, that she is compelled to retire for a needed rest and recuperation. Few women there are who have been more helpful than she, and to her efforts is due the success of E. L. Rust Home. Miss Ora Silvey, a graduate of the Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school, Washington, D. C., has been elected her successor, while Mrs. Speer continues in her department, and Dr. Norton, of Cincinnati, takes charge of the Nurse-training Department, in place of Miss Phillips.

October 6th the Home was opened by the newly-elected Superintendent, Miss Ora Silvey, and Dr. Norton, of the Nurse-training Department. Mrs. Speer was unable to reach Holly Springs until the 16th inst., on account of the yellow-fever quarantine, and but a few of the girls have arrived, having been detained by the same cause. The Home has been completely renovated, painted, and papered, at a total cost of $91.87.

We went to Nashville, and our visit had two objects. The Tennessee Centennial had been opened. Part of it was, and is, the Negro building, and exhibits from our Industrial Homes were there, and we desired to see them. But the more important object was to carefully look into another matter of value to the Woman's Home Missionary Society, and ascertain if the time had arrived for the establishment of an Industrial Home at Nashville.

The Executive Board doubtless has knowledge of some of the facts hereafter stated and referred to. A Miss Millard, of Pana, Illinois, some years ago offered to the Woman's Home Missionary Society a house and lot in Nashville, located opposite the Central Tennessee College, and valued at $5,000, with furniture and furnishing. The Woman's Home Missionary Society did not accept the donation at the time, and the title to the property, as we were informed, is held, so that whenever the Woman's Home Missionary Society establishes an Industrial Home at Nashville, the property will be transferred to the Society. Here is a great opportunity, and we beg to recommend that such action be taken as will establish a Home, and so secure the property.

MRS. HENRY C. HEDGES,
Secretary Bureau of Mississippi.

BUREAU FOR WEST SOUTHERN STATES.

Peck Home, New Orleans.

THE past year has been one of unexpected trials, owing to unforeseen emergencies which have arisen; of much perplexity, as to best plans of adjustment, in some departments of the Bureau, and also a year of advancement and growth in other departments. Early in January Peck Home, at New Orleans, was destroyed by fire. This caused a temporary suspension of the industrial work at the Home, though the industrial teacher, Miss Poppino, continued to teach classes in the university the balance of the year. Miss Hickman and Miss Poppino also established sewing-schools, Mothers' Meetings, and Epworth Leagues in many of the colored Churches. One of our bright, enthusiastic missionaries said to me: "No better field for the *right* kind of missionary labor can be found than is afforded in New Orleans.". But the "*right*" management of the work has proved a difficult task. New Orleans is a peculiar city. Some portions of it seem not to have advanced for a hundred years. Certain parts of it seem to be foreign, certain parts given up to the colored population, though our dark-skinned brothers and sisters are numerous in all parts of the city. The colored women have suffered more, and been more degraded by the awful curse of slavery, than have the colored men. The Superintendent and industrial teacher made a careful study of this field at the beginning of last year, and the prospects for a successful year were unusually bright. Better plans of work had been matured, more pupils were entering the Home, more interest was being manifested than ever before by the colored people and ministers of the Louisiana Conference, when the fire came and destroyed the building, many of its belongings, and nearly all of the clothing of the missionaries and pupils.

When I was in New Orleans last March, the colored people and ministers manifested great anxiety as to the future of our work there, were very desirous that it should be continued, and pledged themselves to support the Woman's Home Missionary Society in every possible way. May God, in his unerring wisdom, guide and control to a right adjustment in this important and difficult field!

The Italian Work in New Orleans.

Missionary labor is sorely needed in the Italian settlements of New Orleans. There are thirty thousand of these people in that city. Twelve thousand landed in one day. They are densely ignorant. I visited with Miss Gibson many of their homes. We went through some of the worst parts of that wicked city; into courts swarming with men, women, and children, and dirty beyond belief. The Italians, Miss Gibson says, are not as easily controlled as the Negroes, but when converted, they make staunch, upright men and women. I visited the sewing-schools in the Italian Church, went out to the Ridge Mission in the afternoon, and was more and more impressed that this was an important field. Since the illness of Miss Page, Miss Gibson has been alone. Earnest and enthusiastic as she is, it has been hard to work unaided, where there is work enough for six active women. Last year the work was hindered by the prevalence of smallpox; this year by the yellow-fever epidemic. Notwithstanding all drawbacks, much good has been accomplished; night-schools for men and boys have been successfully carried on, as well as sewing-schools for girls. The Sunday-school at the Ridge was such a success, that the sisters of the Catholic Church had to close their school for lack of attendance. This year Miss Gibson will have an assistant, and we are expecting enlarged results from this addition. They need children's books, papers, magazines, and picture-cards; also school-books and supplies of clothing. Later some Christmas boxes would be very acceptable. The boxes sent by Iowa Conference last year, through the kindness of Mrs. Negus, were a wonderful help.

Adeline Smith Home, Little Rock.

At the beginning of last year, and for two weeks after the Home was opened, there was not a single girl at the Adeline Smith Home, in Little Rock. Then, owing to the efforts of the Superintendent and others interested, the girls began slowly to come in. There were twenty-four girls in the Home during the year; highest number at one time, fourteen. The colored people of Arkansas and vicinity are very poor, and the failure of the cotton crop was seriously felt among them. The Home was sadly out of repair. Only three beneficiaries were supported during the year.

I spent a week in this Home last spring, and was well pleased with the system, order, and neatness which prevailed there. The Christian atmosphere of the Home was apparent in the lives and conduct of the young women there. Mrs. Nasmyth writes: "We managed, through hard work, and by creating system and enforcing order, to gain quite a foothold among the people last year, and we had what might justly be called a successful year." The Home opened this year with seven girls. October 11th there were sixteen girls in the Home, and more were coming. The ministers predict that the Home will be filled to overflowing this year. The needs of this Home are many, but I will only mention those which are imperative. One of the sleeping-rooms is unfurnished; all the other rooms are now occupied, and this one will soon be needed. The furnace can not be used till it is repaired. This will cost fifty dollars, and has been provided for. A fence around the Home is a necessity. Horses

and cattle graze on the premises, and have done great damage to the lawn and shrubbery. The Superintendent writes that "cats, dogs, and other four-footed beasts do continually abide there." The cost of a good, strong fence will be about fifty-four dollars. Will not some of the Conferences here represented agree to pay for furnishing a sleeping-room, or for the cost of the fence? And will they kindly remember this Home when sending off boxes of supplies? Many of the girls are very destitute of clothing, especially of underclothing. The sewing department of the Home was self-sustaining last year, and had a balance at close of the year of $8.20. They expect better things next year.

Help us now to put the Home into good shape, and we confidently believe that, before many years, it will become self-supporting, and a blessing to the community where it is located.

MRS. F. A. ARTER, *Secretary.*

BUREAU FOR TEXAS.

KING HOME and School has had one of the best years in its history. Though some difficulties have had to be overcome, and some anxious and weary hours endured, yet under the blessing of God the work has made progress. Very early in November, I wrote Miss Elliott, the Superintendent, a letter full of interrogation-points, to which she promptly responded, giving me the desired data. In her first letter I read between the lines, great energy, good financiering, practicality, executive ability, and devotion and love for the work. I have never received a letter from her but that I have risen to a pitch of enthusisam for which I can scarcely account. She is always direct, graphic, and intense; and without knowing or having seen her personally, I am ready to give her the cognomen, "model Superintendent." During the year 118 pupils have been enrolled, while the average attendance has been 86.

Three pupils were graduated from the Dressmaking Department, which is ably managed by Miss Clara I. King, the assistant superintendent.

The statistics for the year are as follows:

Number of pupils	118
Average attendance	86
Number of boarding pupils	27
Average number	22
Cooking classes per day	3
Plain-sewing classes per day	6
Dressmaking classes per day	2
Embroidery and painting classes per week	8
Number of garments made	510
Number of visits to sick and needy	34
Number of Sunday-school services	57
Number of Bible lessons	37
Number of Young People's Meetings	54
Number of Temperance-meetings	20
Receipts from boarding pupils	$732 30
Receipts from sale of garments	29 20
Receipts from sale of charts	25 00
Receipts from teachers, board, donations, and beneficiaries	358 06

Expenditures:	
Food	$711 80
Incidentals, fuel, light, and repairs	337 45
Sewing materials	47 30

So you see that only the money for the beneficiaries and the teachers' salaries was drawn from the general treasury, and the sum expended averaged about seven dollars for each pupil.

The severe winter was the source of much discomfort and real suffering, as the stoves in the halls (the only heaters we have) were not sufficient to heat the rooms comfortably.

For about a week the regular work could not be done, so Miss Elliott sent the girls out to visit the poor and sick (of whom there were great numbers in Marshall), to keep them employed; and so interested did they become in others, that they wanted to give away all their own supplies.

Mrs. Bishop McCabe visited the school in the early winter, and spoke in the highest terms of its management. President Dogan, of Wiley University, says: "I consider the Home almost indispensable to our work here. Our people are further back in home-making than along any other line, and the good effects of the good women sent out by your Board, eternity alone can tell." There exists a most fraternal spirit and perfect harmony between the two schools, each supplementing the other. King Home made an exhibit at the Nashville Exposition. And Miss Elliott wrote me that it was one of the best, if not the best, and one of which she was justly proud. She visited Nashville on her return home in the spring. The building and premises are in quite good condition, having been painted upon the outside and some papering done inside, though it needs more of the latter to make it neat and healthful.

This Industrial Home and School, as you all know, is one of our largest for colored girls. As I look over the State of Texas, with its more than two millions and a half of people, of whom over a million are colored, and catch a glimpse of its vast area, great needs, and the degradation of its colored people, and see this one school standing like a lighthouse amid this seething sea of ignorance, poverty, and sin, I can but feel how inadequate are our appliances for reaching these thousands of colored girls, who, through no fault of their own, have very low ideas of home, virtue, and duty. Yet we are sending out the light as fast as the Church is furnishing us the means. The girls from the best colored families from all parts of the State come here, and are being educated and trained in industrial and domestic arts, and will in the near future go out to be nuclei of Christian homes. I have received urgent letters during the year from other Conferences, begging that a school be established within their bounds. But under present conditions, I do not consider it wise to inaugurate new work. It surely will be the wiser policy to strengthen and support what we now have. If the economic administration of our work and funds be the watchwords of the hour, let us bear in mind, however, that the greatest of economical measures is the strengthening and care of the work now established.

I regard the education of these colored girls as one of the most pressing and vital obligations in our work, and one that will do more than any other, toward the uplift of the nine millions of illiterate and degraded people, who now have equal rights with us, and whose influence in the near future will be so potent for good or ill to this country.

The work of necessity must be slow. But as surely as night follows

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day, so surely will good seed sowed bring forth good fruit. The promise is, "He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him."

MRS. LAVANDA G. MURPHY,
Secretary Texas Bureau.

BUREAU FOR UTAH.

THE Committee appointed at the last session of the Utah Mission Conference of our Church to consider the "state of affairs in Utah," began their report in these words: " 'Watchman, what of the night?' is the eager question that is ever coming over the mountains from all parts of our beloved Methodism, as it looks with interested eyes toward Utah."

This question is echoed back from the mountain-sides to us of the Methodist Episcopal Woman's Home Missionary Society to-day, in convention assembled.

A short *résumé* of Methodism in Utah, and the early and continued interest of our Society in this field, will not be unprofitable. In 1869 our Church first determined to occupy Utah as a mission-field. May 8, 1870, the first missionary arrived in Salt Lake City, twenty-three years after the Mormons reached that point, and encamped upon the very ground now occupied by the First Methodist Episcopal Church. Two days later, an unfinished hayloft over a livery-stable was rented for the use of the missionary. Six days later, the first Methodist class was organized, consisting of one man and five women. One month after this, the first Sabbath-school met, with three teachers, seventeen pupils, and one visitor present. In six days followed the first Church festival; six hundred were present, and $300 were the net receipts. At the same time the first quarterage, one dollar, was paid to the pastor.

In the year 1882, two years after our Society sent its first missionary into the Territory, our Church sustained five preachers, six churches, and seven Sunday-schools, with 588 teachers and pupils. We find in 1880 our Society supporting in the schools of the Missionary Society three teachers. During the years of 1880, 1881, and 1882, Dr. Rust, our abiding friend, paid the salaries of our three missionaries.

The second year the Bureau for Mormons was created, with Mrs. Angie F. Newman Secretary. Her heroic words and work are still bearing fruit for righteousness in the prosecution of the work she so conscientiously inaugurated. It was that year the vote was sustained to secure $5,000 to erect a Boarding Department for the school in Salt Lake City. The Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Rust, says in her report: "This enterprise on the part of the Woman's Home Missionary Society has a peculiar significance. Although this building was greatly needed, there was no agency in the Church competent to undertake the effort of securing it. No debt was to be incurred. The building was contracted for in July, and completed the following December. It has been comfortably and appropriately furnished by Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk, of New Jersey, who sent a check for one thousand dollars for this purpose." This commodious building is now our "Davis Deaconess Home." At that Convention $660 was pledged in life memberships for the proposed Industrial Home for women and girls, who would escape the despotism of Mormonism. Lucy Hayes school-houses, to cost from $500 to $1,000, were to be erected, as fast as means would allow, in the smaller towns of the Territory.

In four years our Society had the Palmer Memorial Building at

Ephraim, Spencer Home in Salt Lake City, for the benefit of the Scandinavian population, and buildings at Maroni and Mt. Pleasant. The fifth year we find Mrs. Newman laid aside by illness, and Mrs. S. W. Thompson taking up the work with a vigor worthy of one whose heart is fired with intensest love for purity in womanhood, and the sacredness and exaltation of the home. In a few years we find our Mrs. Goff standing for this work, until four years ago she passed from faithful service here to delightful rest yonder. And thus, through all these years our Society has planned and executed for Utah.

Our missionaries and teachers, we believe, have been, in the main, faithful to their work, and loyal to the Church and pastors with whom they have been associated. They have cheerfully gone to isolated places, and performed the duties of every office in the Church possible for them to perform, and to-day our Church has in this new State twenty-four preachers, forty-one churches, and thirty-two Sunday-schools, with 2,440 teachers and pupils. What part the Woman's Home Missionary Society has had in this increase of strength and evangelizing force of our Church in this field, nothing but the light of eternity can reveal.

If, when our Government took hold of polygamy, and said it must be abolished, the inheritance of sinful tendencies, of moral and physical weakness in the children, from this holocaust of woe could have been abolished also, to-day songs of purity and redemption would resound through the beautiful valleys and echo from the mountains of this fair new State. We may well ask to-day, "Watchman, what of the night?" and gratefully we hear the answer as it comes back to us clear and sweet, "The morning dawneth." Great developments in commercial and agricultural lines, the public-school system, a free press, liberty to think, speak, and act without fear, doors to the homes and hearts that have been opened by our heroic workers, make it possible for us to-day to see greater results than ever before from our efforts. Mormonism was never more alert or diligent in its influence to undermine every Christian endeavor, or to more firmly establish itself in all the interests of the State. Now we may truly say,

> "There is a tide in the affairs of *women*,
> Which taken at their flood leads on.
> On such a *full* sea are *we now afloat*,
> And we must *take* the current *when it serves*,
> *Or lose our ventures.*"

Our effort must be more directly to *Christianize* than to *educate*, in the common acceptance of this term. Hence, rather than maintain schools, we must sustain missionaries and deaconesses, who shall enter the homes, and, through kindly ministrations and a consecrated, devoted life, win the household, not to themselves or to us, but to Christ.

The Auxiliaries reported last year are active, with increased members. A new one has been added through the efforts of Mrs. Spence. The Conference anniversary was an interesting occasion.

Our deaconess work in Salt Lake City, Provo, Logan, Ogden, and Mt. Pleasant will be found in the report of the Deaconess Bureau.

Spring City.

Our school which has been maintained in Spring City, with the entire seating capacity of our school-room occupied, is continued with Miss Sena C. Simonson at the head. She is new in our employ, but comes to us highly recommended, and her school has opened with hopeful prospects for a good year. Twenty-five are already in the

school, all from Mormon families. Miss Simonson conducts the Sabbath-school, and is Superintendent and sole teacher. There is no resident pastor here, but there is preaching every two weeks, and this young woman is the only member of the Church.

Elsinore.

Here our faithful Mrs. Passmore began her third year as teacher the 1st of September. At this point, as at Spring City, there is no resident pastor throughout the year; therefore, no steady Christian influence, except that which goes out from these Christian schools.

The first year at Elsinore, after our work had been closed for two or three years, our teacher enrolled thirty-five pupils; the second year, forty; and the first week of the present year twenty were enrolled. There are in the town four Gentile families. All the Gentile children are in the school; eight perhaps this year. There is only one apostate family in the community. Two little grandchildren come from this family to the school. All other children are from Mormon or infidel influences. Mrs. Passmore also conducts an Industrial School for girls, and a reading-club for boys. A Band of Mercy is organized also. She still pleads for a bell. Will not the Auxiliaries at Columbus, Ohio, furnish a bell for this "Columbus Home" at Elsinore? Books to interest young people are needed, and material for the Industrial School. On Thanksgiving Mrs. Passmore will have an afternoon with the mothers, with songs, recitations, and refreshments. Christmas special exercises and a tree, as usual. Thus we see the do-everything-good policy is observed to reach the people.

Richfield.

To this important county-seat Miss Alice Oberg has been assigned for missionary work. She comes fully imbued with the spirit of doing, and a determination to reach the needy ones.

Ephraim and Maroni.

At these points it is the desire of the Bureau to place a kindergartner as soon as possible, believing that through the little children the over-burdened mothers will be reached, and the Christian worker find readily an entrance into the homes Industrial Schools for larger girls and societies for boys will also be maintained.

If the friends could supply material for work in our Industrial Schools, it would be a great favor. Stamped goods, with material for embroidery, scraps of silk or fancy pieces, are desirable. Every article of beauty taken into these homes has an elevating influence.

No flag of our country waves over any property of our Society in Utah! And where is the influence of the Stars and Stripes more needed than here? Where should patriotism be more persistently and faithfully taught, by every sign and symbol and precept known to our civilization, than here in this new State, dominated by a religion that no Christian can call Christlike, and the teaching of which its adherents are seeking to introduce into the public schools?

Our Mission Advisory Board, who study the situation on the ground, and to whom be the grateful thanks of the Society for their appreciative efforts in our behalf, urge an advance along all lines of endeavor. Can we not assure them that our Society will not weaken its efforts in behalf of Utah, but rather strengthen them until the flag, the home, and Christianity shall stand honored and beloved in every valley and on every mountain-top in this new star of our Republic.

MRS. B. S. POTTER, *Secretary.*

BUREAU FOR NEW MEXICO AND ARIZONA (SPANISH)

ALL missionary work is slow, and the greater need, the more of prejudice to overcome, the longer time is required to see results. In this respect our efforts have been the same among people in New Mexico as in other lands where superstition and error have held sway for centuries. Many and encouraging, however, are the prospects at this time.

At Las Vegas a Church has grown up, beside our mission for girls. The Spanish preacher has shown much energy in study of English, under our missionary, hoping to have a broader understanding of his work in leading his people in ways of truth. A woman who works hard to support grandchildren, arises earlier, so that she can give time for lessons in reading from our Miss Snider. The school children all show marked improvement. The Church is growing, and seed is taking root in a soil where so many weeds of error and superstition have for generations been cultivated. The school opens well at this time.

Las Cruces.

Our missionary at Las Cruces has had the pleasure of coming to visit her home in the East for a short vacation this summer. The distance is so great that she can not have this comfort every year. It meant much to her, as well as the work. It was also a great inspiration to those who care for the work, to meet this, and other godly women, who are carrying the bread of life for us to the hungry multitude.

Miss Marguerite Tripp writes: "My school has opened splendidly, and the mission is in good working order." By having a door cut from the school-room into the chapel, there will be greater facilities for work and a larger number in the school. This is the month for Conference; but in the absence of the pastor, services are regularly conducted by our missionary.

Albuquerque.

Harwood Home has more than fulfilled its promise at the beginning of the year. More than thirty girls were taught, and thus come under the refining and Christianizing influence of our Home. The change in the girls was so marked after they had been in the Home a few months, that it was hard to realize that they had ever been unkempt and unwashed. As a race they are devotional, and enjoy the services in the Home. Intellectually slow, it was difficult for them to adopt habits of study. The improvement during the latter part of the year was encouraging. The year was one that has made a lasting impression upon all the girls who were in the Home. Never in their lives had they enjoyed such a Christmas. Their efforts to give pleasure to others were particularly gratifying, and the result was a most happy time for all.

The Kindergarten will be possible this year, through the gift of chairs and tables from Miss Emma Dobbins. We are looking for some other helping hand to furnish the materials.

Many girls are asking admission as beneficiaries, but only such as give promise in life and character of making Christian women will be helped in this way. We shall need the sympathetic co-operation of many Auxiliaries, if all are helped that are worthy. We have only one Industrial Home for Mexican girls, so would ask all to help a little.

A preacher's daughter was a faithful student and good girl last year. Her father paid her board and tuition, beside paying for music lessons, expecting that when she is fitted for the work to have her accompany

him and play the organ for the religious services he will conduct as a Protestant evangelist. She ought to have further advantages, but her father can do very little this year. The missionary money he receives is only enough for very meager living. Who will make it possible for us to help this one, who may be the means of breaking bread to many?

The Conference of the English Mission convened about a month ago, and as a Society we may be thankful for the visits of our Bishop McCabe and the preachers laboring among the English-speaking people.

The Conference of the Spanish Mission followed at Raton, N. M. Our Miss Anita Rodriguez attended, and received increased interest in the people among whom she is laboring as our missionary. We are specially favored in the consecrated women who are giving themselves for the glory of God and the uplifting of humanity in New Mexico.

MRS. ANNA KENT, *Secretary.*

BUREAU FOR NEW MEXICO AND ARIZONA (INDIAN).

Dulce, New Mexico.

THE school year opened last October, under the most discouraging circumstances, with an empty larder and empty purse and a lot of hungry children coming, filling up the rooms until there were neither beds or bedding to make them comfortable. What could be done? They were as hungry for knowledge as for bread, and to send them away was to keep them in ignorance, and ignorance and degradation go hand in hand. While the missionaries were deliberating, a barrel came from Trinity Church, Albany, with warm blankets and clothing, groceries, dried fruit, a ham, and all sorts of good things, bringing joy and gladness such as we who never wanted for anything can not imagine. A bed was made on the floor for two boys, who came in last, and they were supplied with warm clothing. Soon another barrel came from Renssalaer, equally valuable. Later on, a sewing-machine came from Renssalaer, and a set of shoemaker's tools from a friend. The older boys kept the shoes of the children in repair all winter. A printing-press was sent them, and some very nice work was done by the pupils.

There were fifty pupils, and fifteen in the Home; a part of the time every nook and corner were utilized for sleeping room, and now a larger number desire to come, so that more room is a positive necessity, the attic over the chapel is being ceiled, and a small dormitory made of it, but another building should be erected this year.

The spiritual needs of these children are not neglected. They are constantly taught of a Christian life, and of Christ the only Mediator between God and man, as the majority of the pupils are from homes where the Virgin is worshiped more than the Savior.

Navajo Mission.

It was the privilege of many of us to listen to Miss Mary Tripp, of this Mission, during her visit to the East the past summer, and to learn many facts concerning the needs of that noble tribe of Indians. They are slowly but surely advancing in civilization, and proving industrious, progressive, and capable of education, though ages of heathenism are back of them.

Last winter a day-school was opened for Navajo children. But few attended, as a majority of the people went to other localities to find pasturage for their flock. Those who attended made as good progress as

white children would, under like circumstances. All lessons were given orally, and from blackboard. Special attention was given to teaching them religious truths. The pupils assisted in the work, in the house-cleaning, etc. It is hoped there will be a larger number this winter.

The interpreter has been converted, and is a faithful Christian, never failing to take part in the prayer-meetings, no matter how many of his people are present.

Among the white converts the past year are two very promising young white men. Mr. Harwood has promised to go to Jewett, and organize a Church class, and baptize the converts. The Navajoes are improving constantly, and Miss Tripp feels confident that we shall have a noble people among them.

The religious services are well attended by both whites and Navajoes. The latter never tire of asking questions about God and Christ and right living. When their prominent sins are touched upon, they will say, "We never had the *Book* to teach us the right way." One old Navajo, when near the close of life, was asked by the missionary what he thought was beyond the grave. He replied, "I do n't know; my people have so many different ideas that I do n't know what to believe;" and when she told him of salvation through Christ, he asked if the white people had known this a long time, and said, "Why did n't they tell us before; it is too late now; I can not understand it."

MRS. E. W. SIMPSON, *Secretary.*

BUREAU FOR INDIAN AND FRONTIER WORK.

Pawnee

WILL always be a place of interest, as having been the first Indian Mission of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. It is located in the northern part of Oklahoma, and has been under the care of a committee of ladies of the Philadelphia Conference. Two years ago we transferred the Mission to the Oklahoma Conference, at its earnest request. At the request of this Conference, we take it again this year, paying the work only $100.

The Pawnees are inclined to be industrious, and have taken land in severalty. There are less than one hundred Church members, but the tribe inclines to gentleness, and is teachable. Rev. Dolph Carrion and his wife, converted Indians, are missionaries. They prefer being under our care.

Ponca, White Eagle, Okla.

This is a part of the Pawnee Agency. There are less than a thousand Poncas. They are not so tractable as the Pawnees, and have suffered from home-sickness. They need kind and earnest treatment. They are located on the salt branch of the Arkansas River, about thirty-five miles from the Pawnees, and forty from Pawhuska, on the railroad. They are given very much to Indian life, though inclined to copy what they like of civilization, like digging wells and planting fruit trees. We trust the new missionaries, Rev. and Mrs. A. J. Simms, will be able to improve their condition, and protect them from the wiles and rapacity of evil whites.

Adelaide Springer Mission, Pawhuska, Okla.

This Mission among the Osages was our second in order. Since the transference of our Indian girls' school to the United States Government, we have used our school-house for a day-school of mixed races (Indians,

half-breeds, and chiefly needy whites). A large square of ground was set off to us at the agency, where we have built a school-house and bought two cottages. These were all filled while we had the Indian girls' school. The missionary, Rev. A. G. Murray and family, occupy one cottage, which is surrounded with flowers and vines. The other is rented at ten dollars a month.

The work is hopeful among the Osages, thirty girls having been baptized at one time last May. Chief Black Dog also brought his infant daughter for baptism, giving her the name of our missionary.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society has been a useful factor in the civilization of Oklahoma.

Stickney Home and School, Lynden, Wash.

This is located in the northwestern part of Washington, on the Nooksachk River. The pupils are beneficiaries, and the average number is seventeen. Mr. J. R. Stark and his two daughters, Misses Alice and Mary, conduct the school and mission in an orderly and efficient manner. The children come from groups of Indians scattered over the country, not allowed to attend school with whites. Indeed, there is no school a large part of the year, even for whites. To save a bridge the course of the Nooksachk River was turned, so as to make an island of our little twenty-five acre farm.

The Yakimas,

Post-office, Fort Simcoe, Washington. are in the southeastern part of Washington. They number 1,500, and through the labors of "Father Wilbur," have been partially civilized. Two years Mrs. Emily C. Miller has been our missionary. She was sent there seven years ago, when Mrs. Dorchester was traveling as Secretary assistant for Indian schools. There is a strong attachment betwen these interesting people and Mrs. Miller. She is in all things a pastor to them, unless it be to perform the marriage ceremony. Revivals are frequent. Let it be remembered that Indian missions possess the new country for Christ. Should not every Auxiliary devote something to our Indian missions, as a thank-offering for their lands, which we possess, and for *which they have not been paid.*

MRS. H. C. MCCABE, *Secretary.*

BUREAU FOR ALASKA.

WITH a deep sense of gratitude for the steady progress which has marked every step of the way in this year's work, I am devoutly thankful I can bring you only joy and gladness, and believe the signal success of the material interests is but a means unto the end that will aid us in reaching out after a greater number to be won from darkness to the light. The action of the General Executive Committee, requesting me to visit and investigate our work in Alaska during the year, has been complied with, and I return to you with enlarged ideas of the needs of missionary endeavor, not only on the Aleutian Islands, but all over that vast Territory. I come to you after over six months' absence with a great longing in my soul for the fellowship of those who "know Him." I can say truly, I have "dwelt in the tents of wickedness." I have not been in a Protestant Church or heard a sermon or a prayer, save in our Mission at Unalaska. Bishop Bompas, of the Church of England, who has been upon the Yukon for many years, says: "I view with alarm the conse-

quence of neglecting the spiritual interests of the English-speaking people in our mission-fields, while seeking the conversion of the heathen. Such seems to be the danger, I much fear the influence, of the neglected miners, who are now pressing into this country, will undo the work we have been attempting for the past twenty years. The worst evil to the Indians has been the introduction of intoxicating drinks among them." I want to emphasize these statements, every word of which is true, and more also. Starvation is evident, and yet cargoes of whisky instead of food are sent up the river, and I want right here to *protest* with all the power I have against this state of things. The whole tone is against Christianity and its uplifting influences. The truth is, missionaries are not welcome, and none but strong, all-rounded Christians should be sent; such workers would win in time. At Dawson and Circle City I was besieged by the *few* who see the situation as it is, to send some one who *can preach* to these miners—"We will pay them if they are the *right* kind," etc. Will our Church arise at this critical time, and try to redeem herself from the neglect she has so long been guilty of in regard to Alaska, and help to take this land, whose resources are practically untouched, for the King of kings? The sacrifice for gold is unprecedented. Talk about the missionaries' sacrifice! It is as *nothing* compared with the experiences of some who have gone to this New Eldorado. I have visited most of the mission stations in Alaska, save those in the extreme Arctic region. I endeavored to observe closely, and come home with great pride in our Jesse Lee Home; the comparisons are in our favor. Misses Sowle and Rinch, our devoted missionaries, are doing valiant service. They have the respect and confidence of the whole village. Miss Sowle's knowledge of medicine has proved an open door in a number of cases. The "fleet" physician said to me, "Her knowledge and skill in sickness is a boon to this Home; beside she has such good common sense." I can not speak too highly of her associate, and the Christian character manifest in the lives of each.

The Government teachers are a host in themselves. Miss Elizabeth Mellor, the Superintendent, is permeated with the missionary spirit, and is as interested in our work as if she was our own missionary, which she practically is. Her sister, Miss Ada, is her assistant. She has just graduated from the Baptist Missionary Training-school in Chicago, and comes with all the enthusiasm and earnestness of a consecrated worker. She is an addition to the staff, with which we are all charmed.

If you could just peep in when these four young women are engaged in their "sacred hour," talking with each other, the open Word before them, and then listen to the petitions that, I am sure, reach the Throne, you would then know why it is that harmony and the sweetest spirit prevail. Pray for these chosen ones as you would for your own household, that these vessels for the Master's use may be made very meet.

There have been a number of changes in the Home during the summer. Five of our girls have gone to the Government School at Carlisle, Pa. One has been taken by Mr. P. B. Weare, of Chicago, to be educated. One boy, "Ivan," has gone to the Mother's Jewels Home. Two have been married, and the home-keeping is so superior to those about them that we are glad to have these object-lessons in our midst. Three have been taken to their homes on other islands, and one has been transplanted to a brighter clime. Her older sister began to weep when told of "Rosy's" home-going, but she soon looked up and said, "I am not crying because she is gone—for Rosy was so good I know she is saved—but I am afraid if I grow up I will be a bad woman." The atmosphere the child had lived in before coming to the Home was all against purity, and she was realizing the difference. The fact is that virtue is the

exception, and we must save the children, oftentimes *in spite* of the parents. You will be glad to learn that our new building is an assured fact. When I decided to go and look after the building, I tried to get one of the companies to take a contract for completing and putting the building in a safe condition, but no one would even estimate upon it. There was only one thing left, and that was to go myself and get it done by day-labor. I was favored in being able to secure two suitable workmen, with native help to assist them. The Klondike fever began to burn soon after we had started, and the men came and went in proportion as they could get larger wages for a few days when vessels came in bound for the Yukon; so we have been belated, but are now comfortably housed, and the "finishing up" is being done. In consequence of a rise in freights, and having to pay more for materials and workmen than we anticipated, we have gone beyond our appropriation, but not enough to embarrass the Treasurer. I only wish I could take you to see how commodious and comfortable we are. I will show you a picture during the year—one you will each want to purchase. It is with devout thankfulness I say to you who have given the money for this Home, "You have builded better than you knew." I am no longer ashamed of our Mission quarters, but in danger of being "puffed up" so happy am I; and so are you, for does not this work belong to *all* of us? And I desire to emphasize *the fact* that it *is* our *foreign field* at home, under our flag; aye, under our *own* flag; for be it known to you that our President gave us a beauty! It is 12 by 20, and the good women of Tacoma furnished a flag-pole eighty feet long, the raising of which I can not tell you about in this brief report. I have talked flag and patriotism so much that good friends sent me twelve dozen small flags while on the field, and I want to say that the followers of the Czar are wondering what all this means, and whither will it tend.

When I left the Home, October 16th, there were thirty-four in the Home. We hear of others who are coming from a distance, and it is not safe to provide for less than forty. With our increased facilities we will be able to do more efficient work. There are sixty-seven in the day-school, the largest number ever in attendance. I visited our Mission Home in Unga, and took supper with Mr. and Mrs. McKinney in our Martha Ellen Stevens Cottage. Mr. McKinney is in charge of the Government school. Mrs. McKinney has all the missionary work she can attend to with her own little flock. They are doing good work in the lives they lead, in uprightness of character before the mixed population about them, in educating, and in the moral tone they inculcate. Unga needs a preacher; the gold-mines there bring many people, and no one to tell them about the "Mighty to Save."

Let me urge you to consider the advisability of a small hospital in connection with our Jesse Lee Home. It is an absolute necessity for ourselves, the village, and the hosts of people who are in the ports. Two sea captains called upon me in one afternoon to know if there was any place where they could get help. One man had fallen down a hatchway, and was seriously injured; another had passengers on board ill. At the same time one of our own children lay dying for lack of medicine and surgical treatment. I wish I could paint this *need* as I saw it, and some great heart would furnish the exchequer. I can think of nothing that would so advance our work and give us an *open sesame* as that of a hospital. The prejudice that exists with the Græco-Russian Church and her priesthood against all other denominations, and the fact that the people are priest-ridden, make it difficult to reach them. That we have had no clergyman, and consequently no one to perform the sacraments of the Church, has put us at great disadavantage, and I am much gratified to learn that Bishop McCabe, of our beloved Church, realizing the great

need of help in that direction, has appointed a presiding elder for Alaska, who, together with the helpers he will no doubt select very soon to assist him, will be strong co-workers with us in spreading the gospel in the Aleutian Islands and in other parts of Alaska. And I am further gratified that the Missionary Board, at its recent session in Philadelphia, has appropriated $2,000 for work in Alaska.

While there is so much interest in the gold-fields, can we not have as much interest in souls that, according to our creed, are more valuable than all the gold of the Klondike or Minook? Do not let us vacillate or loiter in our effort to give the gospel in its fullness to these perishing ones. I also crave your continued help in our Christian Training and Industrial Home.

Our workers are no longer cramped and hampered for want of room; a new joy lights up their faces, and they can truly say, "Thou hast put gladness in my heart more than in the time past."

I have come into vital and more intimate relations with the noble force of workers on the field, and I have seen how they "enjoy so much, and suffer so much, for which no gold can pay."

Alaska offerings are peculiarly significant and sacred at this time, and I ask for a fresh impulse towards this work. Frederick the Great, it is said, was successful in his offensive tactics, mainly because he fully realized that a stop or pause in the attacking movement amounted to a check, if not a failure. He never encouraged halts or rests, even to gain breathing time, but did everything to avoid them. His example might be followed to advantage by many Christian workers. O, help us sow the *good* seed, "and know that the sower shall some time be in at the feast!" At "Alert Bay" the missionary found an old woman sitting by her fire, looking very lonely. He sat down beside her on a box which she offered him for a seat. Knowing a little of her language, he said a few words to her about her Savior, and after awhile she said, "Sing to me;" so he sang "Rock of Ages" and "Lord, remember me," in the vernacular. She said, "Those are good words, they make my heart strong." And this lonely Indian woman felt just as you and I do—the hymns of Zion make our "hearts strong." Need I say more than to ask you to ponder, and "inwardly digest" the following?—

"And they came to the gate within the wall, where Peter holds the keys.

'Stand up, stand up, now, Tomlinson, and answer loud and high
The good that ye did for the sake of men or ever ye came to die—
The good that ye did for the sake of men in the little earth so lone!'
And the naked soul of Tomlinson grew white as a rain-washed bone.

'This I have read in a book,' he said, 'and that was told to me;
And this I have thought that another man thought of a prince in Muscovey,'—
And Peter twirled the jangling keys in weariness and wrath.
'Ye have read, ye have heard, ye have thought,' he said, 'and the tale is yet to run:
By the worth of the body that once ye had, give answer, what have ye done?'"

ANNA F. BEILER, *Secretary.*

BUREAU FOR IMMIGRANTS.

27 State Street, New York.

(Reported by Mrs. J. E. Slayback.)

THE immigrants that have come under the care of this Home during the past year are of a much better grade than when the steamer rates were at lower figures. They are more intelligent, more industrious, and in a better financial condition.

To Miss Mathews, who is still busy in the missionary work, has come an unexpected and unusual experience. In the month of May a fire swept over Ellis Island, destroying all the buildings and everything connected with them. There were two hundred immigrants there at the time, for whom a place of shelter had to be hurriedly provided, and those ill in the hospital taken to the different institutions of the kind in the city. This was no small task, requiring patience and untiring energy, and indeed, until the new buildings at Ellis Island are ready for habitation, the work must be more laborious than ever before, but Miss Mathews is full of courage and spirit, ready for all duties to which she may be called.

The work at 27 State Street is strictly immigrant work; there are no side issues, and the following figures represent loving, conscientious labor given with cheerful hearts and willing hands, but not until the contents of the Book of Records, kept in that other Home, are revealed, will it ever be known what blessed influences have gone out from this Home; for by lifting and helping one, we lift and help the many:

STATISTICAL REPORT.

Number of steamers met	734
Number of lodgings provided	2,086
Number of meals furnished	8,042
Number of women provided for	112
Number of children	20
Number of Protestants	125
Number of Catholics	10
Number of nations represented	41
Number of situations procured	31
Number of papers and tracts distributed	2,500
Number of letters and postals written	517
Number of telegrams sent	85
Number of girls sent to friends	26

72 and 74 Marginal Street, East Boston, Mass.

(Reported by Mrs. G. W. Mansfield.)

Our work enlarges, and the influence of the Home and the workers is more and more appreciated, not only among those needing its uplifting influence, but on the piers among the officials. The intuitive knowledge and keenness of perception manifested by our missionary, enabling her to read human nature and ferret out the evil-doer, are appreciated by those in authority, and blessings flow out to the remote as well as the incoming stranger. Repairs of papering and painting have been quite extensive in the Home, and the expense comparatively trifling, because the work was the gift of two young men, who spent many hours of their vacation in

this ministry of love. The following is the numerical record of the work for the year ending September 1, 1897:

Number of steamers met	46
Number of inmates in Home	411
Number of women	271
Number of men	112
Number of children	28
Number of Protestants	364
Number of Catholics	29
Number of nations represented	14
Number of nights lodgings furnished	3,087
Number of meals served	10,839
Number of days given to the work	334
Number of religious meetings held	159
Number of postals and letters written	331
Number of calls on the sick	55
Number of Sunday-school sessions	44
Number of Sewing-school sessions	36
Number of papers, tracts, and cards distributed	4,378
Number of times the work represented	26
Number of situations secured	15
Number of telegrams sent	21
Number of girls sent to friends	36

Vine Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

(Reported by May L. Brown.)

The inquiry has often been made, How much of your work is immigrant, and how much missionary? A question difficult to answer, a problem hard to solve; a large percentage being immigrant, though less than in former years; and yet all missionary, 108 persons having been sheltered, including 71 women and 37 children, 79 being Protestants and 29 Roman Catholics, representing six nationalities; out of this number, as near as we can compute, 84 having been immigrants and emigrants. For these, to whom a helping hand has been given, there have been furnished 1,418 meals, of which 932 were free, and 486 paid; 482 lodgings furnished, 336 being free, and 146 paid. You will observe that the larger part of meals and lodgings are free.

The workers report having met 81 steamers, made 495 missionary calls, 84 business calls, 111 sick calls, 1,747 Bibles and Testaments distributed, 925 papers and tracts given out, 13 situations secured, 822 garments given out; also fruit and groceries to the value of $34.69. We acknowledge donations received from the following named Churches and friends: St. John's, Kensington, and Arch Street, Mrs. E. W. Scofield, Mrs. Rassmusser, Miss Pendleberry, Mrs. Freeman, Mrs. Bowen, Mrs. Dailey, Mrs. J. C. Chubb, Mrs. R. S. Patterson, and Mrs. M. A. Taylor; also Deaconess Home.

STATISTICAL REPORT OF IMMIGRANTS' HOME.

Number of steamers met	81
Number of lodgings furnished	483
Number of meals furnished	1,418
Number of missionary calls	495
Number of calls on the sick	111

Number of Bibles and Testaments distributed	1,747
Number of papers and tracts distributed	925
Number of situations procured	13
Number of persons sheltered	108
Number of women	71
Number of children	37
Number of Protestants	79
Number of Catholics	29
Number of nations represented	6

MRS. J. E. SLAYBACK, *Secretary.*

WATTS DE PEYSTER HOME.

Tivoli, New York.

THIS Home has thrice celebrated Founder's-day, and is now passing through its fourth year of existence. In reviewing the past twelve months, we find very much to stir our gratitude; much progress in all lines to record; faithful, self-sacrificing service on the part of our workers; kind and constant helpfulness from friends, old and new.

An important change for the better has been made in the fitting up of the new kitchen. Instead of the low and poorly-lighted basement room of other days, we now have a large, well-lighted southeast room on the first floor, with new range and other suitable furnishings. By this means some of our industrial training can be much more successfully given, and we see a corresponding improvement in the work of the girls. The classes for sewing, mending, and darning show excellent work. Even girls so young as seven and eight years reward the patience of the instructor by developing marked skill in the use of the needle.

The school instruction is giving very satisfactory results, and is in competent hands. The health of the children has been excellent. Forty-eight are now in the Home, and a larger number of applications have been presented to the committee during the past six months than during any similar length of time heretofore.

Some of our older girls have finished their training with us, and have found excellent homes; others will soon be going out, and their places will be filled by those who need a Christian home and practical training. So the years go on, and we believe God's hand is guiding the work and the workers. MRS. JAMES M. KING, *Chairman of the Committee.*

ELIZABETH E. MARCY HOME.

THE following extracts from the report of the Committee on Employees indicate the advance movement in our work during the past year:

"Your Committee beg leave to report that they have given much time and thought to obtaining workers for the Elizabeth E. Marcy Home. Miss Randall, of Utah, was the first secured. She was a deaconess, and in some ways an effective worker. She was unsettled about remaining in Chicago when she first came; and by mutual arrangement it was agreed that she should give up her work with us in September, closing a period of five months.

"Mrs. Anna Ritter came to the Home in July from Michigan, as

matron for the Home, and has very efficiently filled this position since; and in addition has conducted much of the mission work.

"Mrs. Wheeler came to the work of the mission in September, having been engaged in similar work for many years past, and most recently in Ogden, Utah. She is proving very helpful, and will continue to assist in the conduct of the boys' and girls' clubs, the Industrial School, and other important lines.

"Two students from the Chicago Training-school assist in the Saturday sewing-school, and eight or ten young people from the city and suburbs give valuable assistance in the various classes and clubs that occupy almost every evening in the week. Miss Bertha Fowler, a graduate of Garrett Biblical Institute, conducts a Sunday afternoon service. Our missionaries co-operate with Rev. Voslar Karle in the work of the Bohemian Mission, which has its headquarters at the Marcy Home. They attend the regular Church service of this Mission, teach in its Sunday-school, and visit among its members.

"Your Committee urges that every Church in our connection secure at least two efficient workers to go to the Home once each week, and assist in the Sunday service, in the week-night clubs, visiting department, and numerous other lines of work that are now in operation, or will be begun as our helping force is increased.

"We are promised two deaconesses in the spring from the Washington Home, and your Committee, while aware that our force of workers is inadequate to the work waiting to be done in our locality, are nevertheless encouraged to hope that in one or two years we shall probably be able to report a large and efficient force of regular and occasional workers and missionaries.

"With this hope, your Committee asks your patience if the work must necessarily move slowly at present, and urges your loyal and hearty co-operation in all ways that will promote the advancement of the work already begun. Respectfully submitted.

"EMMA W. ROGERS, *Chairman.*"

The instrumentalities above enumerated, and the more correct appreciation of our people as to method and means, as well as the increasing light and knowledge that time brings, all are helping on our work.

Our several departments are becoming better systematized. The sewing-school is now under the supervision of Miss Louise Whitehead, who is training both teachers and pupils in a complete method, from first stitches to a finished garment. Our young people are organized into evening clubs, that meet once a week for literary exercises. These are in charge of the resident workers.

Friday and Saturday evenings are open to a promiscuous crowd, who are entertained and instructed by a corps of young people from Evanston and adjoining suburbs.

The kinder and kitchen gartens are in full operation.

Our connection with the Bohemian Mission is still maintained, and our workers are attendants upon its religious services, and teachers in the Sunday-school.

We are thankful to note in these things a steady advance towards the ideal that lies before us, and which, with time and faith and patience, we believe to be perfectly attainable.

The report of the Committee on the new "Home" shows as follows:

In March, 1896, when the building was completed, we were owing a floating debt of $1,800 or more. This has all been canceled, and $1,300 paid on the bonded debt, making, with other indispensable outlays on the

property, not less than $3,500 paid, thus reducing the present debt to less than $6,000.

We are at work to extinguish this debt, which, while it need not of necessity cripple the work that is ripe for development in any line, does nevertheless absorb, in a degree, energy demanded for successful enterprise.

We have to record with the closing year many special favors; and we believe the hand of Providence is over us for good, and that we have but to "get ready our spindle and our distaff, and God will furnish the flax."

E. E. MARCY, *Chairman.*

GLENN INDUSTRIAL HOME.

West Fourth Street, Cincinnati.

THE Glenn Industrial Home, 641 West Fourth Street, is the property of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and the special work of the Cincinnati Conference. The year that has just closed is the sixth of its history. Mrs. D. E. Taylor, who was Secretary of the Cincinnati Conference of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, has been Superintendent during the year, while Mrs. Robert Clement has attended to the details of the housekeeping. Mrs. Allison, Superintendent of Missions, through her long training in our Bohemian work in Chicago, was enabled to accomplish the work of several women; Miss Feakins, a successful Christian worker, has been her able assistant. Miss Lingkenfelter and Miss Wolfer were our kindergartners, while Mrs. Stone, of Hartwell, has gratuitously given her services as teacher of dressmaking and plain sewing.

The lines of work carried on at the Home, for convenience, are arranged in five departments.

RELIGIOUS.—Under this department we have a Sunday-school numbering seventy-five, held at the corner of Fifth and Front Streets. Regular sessions are conducted each Sabbath morning. Our friends would greatly enjoy looking into the bright faces of the scholars, and listening to their hearty singing and intelligent answers to questions.

Evangelistic services are held each Thursday evening at the Mission. The attendance is large. We believe much good is being accomplished, especially in strengthening the faith of those who, though Christians, are in every sense babes in Christ. We have had a number of conversions, several of whom have joined our neighboring Churches. It is our most heartfelt desire to aid our down-town Churches in their struggle for city evangelization.

The EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT consists of two kindergartens, one at Glenn Home, the other at the Mission. Our kindergartners are earnest, consecrated Christian women, zealous for the spiritual development of the child as well as the mental. One hundred little ones are under their care. There is nothing more inspiring in our work than the clean, happy faces of these children, many of whom come to us neatly dressed in garments furnished by our Auxiliaries. Under the head of Educational we may also place our well-equipped reading-room at the Mission, where a company of young men, under the direction of the missionaries, are encouraged to read and study along lines that will prepare them for the responsibilities of life. We must care for the men and boys during the week, and thus keep them out of the saloon.

The INDUSTRIAL DEPARTMENT has three sewing classes for smaller girls—one of which consists of colored children—"The Young Ladies' Industrial Club," "Two Kitchengarten Classes," and a Technical Class

for boys. The younger girls are learning plain sewing, crocheting, knitting, etc. "The Young Ladies' Club" includes twenty-eight young women from sixteen to twenty years of age. They meet twice a week for lessons in Arithmetic, Elementary Book-keeping, Plain Sewing, and Dressmaking. The kitchengarten classes are truly missionary. How often the misery of the home is due to ignorance as well as poverty! In helping the daughters to make home comfortable, we believe we are furnishing another means of keeping the fathers and brothers out of the saloon. The technical class was in charge of Mr. Howard Altman, of the Cincinnati Technical School, whose services were gratuitous.

The MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT comprises the Glenn Home Auxiliary of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. This Auxiliary meets weekly, and is composed of the female members of the Mission, some of whom earn their membership fee over the washtub. They contributed forty-three dollars and fifty cents towards the expenses of the Mission during the year. The "Willing Hearts," a band of children, raised seven dollars towards the furnishings of the Mission; and thirty-five of the very small children gave three dollars and fifty cents to the Mother's Jewels Home. The "Glenn Home Mothers' Club" has assisted in making and repairing garments for their poorer neighbors. Thus all are experiencing the joy of helpfulness, and are hastening the coming of our Lord.

Our missionaries report that the City Hospital has been visited weekly. Two thousand bouquets of flowers, sent in by friends, besides a large number of papers and tracts, have been distributed. Fifteen hundred visits have been made among the poor. Members of our Auxiliaries, from time to time, have accompanied the missionaries. This has proved to be a great inspiration to them, and a help to the workers. Come and see the needs of our work, dear friend, that we may hereafter count on your interest and sympathy. Two hundred garments have been given to the very poor. Very many more have been sold at our quarterly sales for trifling sums. The Woman's Home Missionary Society desires to inculcate self-helpfulness, and believes it is better for our people to be buyers than beggars.

The SOCIAL DEPARTMENT has been the source of much profit and enjoyment. We are indebted to Professor and Mrs. Sherwood, Dr. Morrell, and the Misses Edwards, of Mt. Lookout, Mrs. De Witt and Miss Burt, of Mt. Auburn, for pleasant evenings of music and recitation. Two picnics have been given. A Pumpkin Social at Thanksgiving was a novelty, the proceeds furnishing eleven baskets of food for our poorest families. Our young folks were remembered at the Christmas festival. Each of the clubs and sewing classes has given entertainments, which have helped to develop the latent powers of their members, and have supplied funds for current expenses. This department has been greatly assisted by the young ladies of Trinity, Norwood, Avondale, the "Sunshine Weavers" of Hartwell, and the Junior League of Linwood.

We desire most heartily to thank all individuals, Auxiliaries, Circles, and Bands, who have lent a helping hand during the year. We could not carry on the work without their aid.

The Treasurer, Mrs. George H. Thompson, reports receipts, $1,946.41; disbursements, $1,909.95; balance, $36.46.

A large number of valuable supplies have been sent in by the Auxiliaries, Circles, and Bands, which have materially curtailed our expenses, and have helped the poor.

Dear friend, when disbursing charity, remember Glenn Home and its needs.

MRS. I. D. JONES, *Chairman.*
MRS. LEWIS CURTS, *Vice-Chairman.*
MRS. CHARLES B. STEVENS, *Recording Secretary.*

ety, who read these lines, to co-operate heartily with the Manager of the Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school in your Conference, if you know of good candidates for deaconesses, to write the Manager concerning them; to interest Christian women of means in the enlargement of our National Training-school at Washington, which is pitifully inadequate to the needs of our work, a large number of students being obliged to room outside the building.

The present is an opportune time to ask for pledges, both from individuals and Conference Societies, as we are projecting a new building to accommodate fifty to seventy-five students, to be named "Rust Hall," in recognition of the founder of our Society, who has worked unceasingly and laboriously in its behalf.—Mrs. Elizabeth Lowndes Rust,—and also will keep in loving memory the name of Dr. Richard S. Rust, its constant and unswerving friend.

During the year a permanent home has been secured for the Rest Home for Deaconesses and Missionaries at Ocean Grove, which is a valuable adjunct to our work. The missionaries from the South and from the frontiers mingle with the deaconesses from the cities, to the advantage of all classes of workers, and both physical and spiritual recuperation are combined in this beautiful summer retreat.

Lucy Webb Hayes National Training-School.

Reported by Rev. A. H. AMES, D. D., Superintendent.

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During the scholastic year, which closed in May last, the number of pupils reached the highest mark ever attained, making it necessary to rent lodgings outside our building and annex. Both the literary work

of the school, and the practical work of conducting kindergarten and other mission schools were in advance of any previous year.

The graduating class numbered eight. These, together with one post-graduate student, are now in the employ of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, doing excellent service in various fields of labor.

Our present Senior Class is the largest we have ever had. We shall come nearer meeting the demand for workers than has been possible hitherto. The Junior Class is smaller, but only because the rooms at our disposal can not accommodate more. Numerous applications from most desirable candidates still continue, and it would be possible to double our numbers had we space in our lecture-rooms or at our table to give them.

Greatly to our regret, our former preceptress, of whose admirable character and valuable services I have frequently spoken, accepted a position elsewhere, and resigned her place with us. Miss Ida H. Rogers, who for some years has been an enthusiastic and satisfactory kindergarten teacher, accepted the offer made by me to perform the duties of preceptress in conjunction with her work. Miss Rogers has brought spirituality, zeal, and great executive ability to her new work, and her administration has been entirely successful in gaining the affection of the students and the confidence of the Managers.

Miss Margaret S. Wilson, a graduate of Ohio Wesleyan University, has been added to our Faculty, teaching classes in rhetoric and English literature, besides other regular studies. As an assistant to the preceptress, as well as by her character and abilities as a teacher, she is displaying such efficiency that we congratulate ourselves on our acquisition.

While most of our instructors of last year continue their able service, others have been added. Our Faculty is the best we have ever had. Our course of instruction is now more comprehensive and thorough than ever before, and there has been a very perceptible elevation of the standard of the institution. It is no holiday task in which our students are engaged, but one requiring active brain-work and constant attention.

The studies prescribed by the Bishops of the Methodist Episcopal Church form the basis of our curriculum. The text-books form but a part, however, of our course of instruction. In addition, lectures are given by able teachers on all these subjects, and many lines of study and work not laid down in the prescribed course are pursued.

The Bible is taught systematically and thoroughly. Great attention is given to Church doctrines, polity, and history. Ethics and social science are carefully taught. Our Kindergarten Department is not excelled anywhere in comprehensiveness and efficiency. All students are required to study such branches of medicine, as well as of hygiene and nursing, as shall give them knowledge of sanitation, and fit them to aid in the sick-room. Vocal music and physical expression are taught by experts in these branches. The school being organized into an ideal Woman's Home Missionary Society, acquaintance with Bureaus of the Society is gained, as well as practice in parliamentary law. More stress is being laid upon Bible readings. By the generous offer of Mrs. Spencer, of the Spencerian Business College, methods of business are taught with all the appliances of the college. Domestic science is taught to a select class at the cooking-school of the city. Our aim is to give to our students such training as shall fit them for the conduct of meetings, organization of societies, as kindergartners, as wise distributors of charity, for evangelistic work, and as visiting or nurse deaconesses, missionaries, and teachers in all the varied fields of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

Washington City offers peculiar advantages for securing the services

of experts in the branches of education, labor questions, social science, etc., and we are kindly offered the aid of these in the instruction of our students.

We believe that no school of its kind in this country offers advantages greater than the Lucy Webb Hayes, and it was never so qualified to give advanced instruction as now.

The time has now come, however, when new buildings, greater facilities, and an increase in our resident Faculty are a necessity. The demand for skilled and trained laborers in philanthropic work, which really requires the highest grade of knowledge and practical wisdom, is increasing. The educational and moral standard of those applying for admission is also advancing. To refuse to respond to these demands will be fatal to the welfare of the school. It can, in number of pupils and character of instruction, keep pace with the growing requirements of the times, only as it shall secure the generous support of the Society, and a share in the gifts of the benevolent.

The religious life of the school continues, as heretofore, to be marked by that deep spirituality, cheerful and happy piety, and Christ-like spirit of helpfulness which have made it a gate of heaven to all that have partaken of its privileges.

Aldrich Memorial Home.

401 Lyon Street, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Mrs. W. J. ALDRICH, Superintendent.

In October, 1897, the Aldrich Memorial Home opened its training-school, which will, it is hoped, with God's blessing, greatly extend its influence and usefulness. Six deaconesses and students are in the training-school, and one in the hospital now training for a nurse. A fine lecture course, with Biblical, medical, and practical departments, has been arranged for. The outlined course of training that has been printed seems attractively helpful, and has secured the co-operation of the pastors of our own and sister Churches. Especially thanks should be given to those who are cheerfully and cordially serving as lecturers and teachers. Some come even from out of the city, giving their services gratuitously, and paying their own expenses. The deaconesses are employed in aiding pastors, nursing the sick, teaching industrial schools and Bible classes, and in relief work.

Baltimore.

708 West Lombard Street.

Miss ANNIE LEIDIGH, Superintendent.

The facts given below, are obtained from the Corresponding Secretary's description of the work in the Baltimore Annual Report.

These quotations will give the various features of this prosperous work. This Home is one of the few that always maintains a balance in the treasury.

"Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them." The small twig planted a little over five years ago has grown into a goodly fruit-bearing tree. The year began with eight deaconesses, including the Superintendent. Various additions to the furnishing of the Home have added to the comfort and happiness of the inmates. A kindergarten on Parkin Street was enlarged, and an additional helper secured. It is now allied with the David Rogers Mission. There are four industrial schools and two kindergartens, under the supervision of the deaconesses. The work done in the several departments seems wonderful. Nearly eight hundred

children have been enrolled and taught in these schools. The Seaman's Bethel School, conducted by Miss Davis, opened with 185 on the roll. Though assisted by faithful workers from various Churches, her duties are arduous. Much improvement has been noted in the scholars, both in manners and morals. Girls have gone from this school to become self-supporting. In whatever capacity they may have to earn a livelihood, the training they receive here is their best equipment. There is a Saturday evening school for boys united with this work. The children are mostly of Catholic and Jewish parentage. The industrial school for colored girls, called the Bishop Taylor Mission, numbers one hundred. This school has much of promise in it. In February a kindergarten was opened at the Bohemian Mission, under the patronage of Strawbridge Church, which supplies the material for its use. The school opened with fourteen little foreigners, only three of whom could speak English. They soon showed such progress, that at the Easter entertainment they had learned to speak many English words, and to sing the songs with understanding. Two trained nurses have regularly entered in district nursing in a systematic manner; St. John's Church having furnished a "Loan Closet," which is generously supplied with bedding and all material needed for a work of this kind. Hospital visiting is undertaken by all the deaconesses. It is the testimony of these workers that this line of work needs especial vigilance, that our Protestant sisters may bring their great message to every bedside. Visits have been made to the penitentiary, the jail, and the almshouse; poor children have been hunted up for the fresh air fund, and the work has been presented in various places effectively. The Superintendent's report shows that the deaconesses "have been in labors abundant." Some important gifts have been made to the Board of Managers for the poor fund. The Board is ready to enlarge the work as rapidly as trained workers present themselves. The one great cry is, "More helpers, more helpers!"

Brooklyn.

238 President Street.

Dr. W. W. CLARK, Superintendent.

The Brooklyn Home has had a year of peace and prosperity. The most noteworthy incident of the year was the gift of a commodious Home by Mrs. Hans S. Christian, as a memorial to her honored husband. This generous offering has placed us in a fine position, saving us from all future rentals. We can now accommodate over twenty workers, giving each the privacy of a separate room. Our present staff of deaconesses, resident in the Home, numbers nine.

The second week in November was our opening week, and was a great success. Large numbers were in attendance each evening. On our first night we were honored with the presence of many distinguished visitors from different sections of the country, among whom were Bishops Andrews and Mallalieu, Dr. and Mrs. R. S. Rust, Dr. J. W. Hamilton, Lewis Curts, H. C. Weakley, John Pearson, Mrs. Anna Kent, Mrs. Herron, and the ever active and genial President of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk. Our donations during the week in cash, furnishings, and provisions, amounted to over $1,000.

Buffalo.

2978 Main Street.

Miss E. A. SMITH, Superintendent.

The past year has been the very best in the history of this Home. That interest is increasing was demonstrated by the raising of fifteen hundred dollars to reduce the mortgage, and complete the third story of the Home. To this thirty Churches contributed outside the city of Buffalo. June 10th was observed as Founder's-day, and the observance of this day was so successful as a means of awakening interest and securing money that hereafter it will be a permanent feature. Especial attention has been given to evangelistic work. Seventy-two Churches have had the services of the evangelists in towns varying from one to three weeks. These Churches have contributed generously to the support of the Home. The Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad Company has given the use of an unused freight-house for our district work, affording room for industrial kitchengardens and Sunday-school for a large territory unsupplied.

The medical staff have faithfully served the charity cases reported by the nurses, bringing health and relief to hundreds of sick poor. This staff is one of the most essential adjuncts to a well-ordered Home. The Traveler's Aid has been of great benefit to the work, in calling attention of the public to the Home, and has been of untold service to those receiving aid.

Bidwell Deaconess Home.

1115 West Ninth Street, Des Moines, Iowa.

Miss ELIZABETH HUMPHREY, Superintendent.

The year just closing has been an eventful one in the Des Moines-Bidwell Deaconess Home. The latter part of October, 1896, the Deaconess Home Association entered into affiliation with the Woman's Home Missionary Society. Miss Elizabeth Humphrey and Miss Belding, from the National Training-school at Washington, were placed in charge; Miss Humphrey as Superintendent, and later in the year their number was increased by Miss Robbins, a nurse deaconess from Washington. These deaconesses have worked for three Churches and at three mission points, conducted three industrial schools, and two Sunday-schools, visited hospitals and homes for the aged, assisted in revival work, besides visits made and other work accomplished, that appear in another place in the report. In May the name was changed to the Des Moines-Bidwell Deaconess Home, in honor of Major Bidwell, whose bequest of $2,500 had been used for the purchase of the Home.

The rules of this Home are so excellent concerning supplies that they are copied here for the use of other Homes: "In shipping supplies to the Home, please observe: First, anything of use in your own home will be of use in the Deaconess Home; second, pack carefully, and before closing the box or barrel place in plain sight a list of contents, with their value and name of the town, Society, and Secretary of the Society making the contribution: then direct plainly to the Superintendent of the Home; third, prepay all charges, and write a postal to the Superintendent of the Home, informing her of the date of shipment." These simple, plain directions, if thoroughly enforced, will save many Homes vexing care.

Cleveland.

268 Woodland Avenue.

Miss E. A. McILLMOYL, Superintendent.

The Cleveland Deaconess Home has had a prosperous year, under the wise management of our efficient Board, and the gracious guidance of a good Providence. The property consists of two houses standing on one lot, facing on Woodland Avenue, and used as the residence,—the one at the rear for industrial purposes. The working force numbers thirteen, two of whom are now students in the Washington Training-school. The parish visiting work was the first form of service taken up by this Home, and is still carried on with a deepening sense of its importance and helpfulness. For the past two and a half years, a mission has been maintained in a portion of the city where such work is much needed. Almost all nationalities and shades of color, with various forms of religious creed, are represented in the attendance. A large number of "God's Probable Sons" wander in here, and find their way back to him. An excellent work, the extent of which can only be measured in eternity, is being done. Evangelistic services are held Sunday, Wednesday, and Friday evenings. A Sunday-school and Junior League are also features of this department. A Mothers' Meeting, which promises to be a very efficient form of service, is held weekly. A song and prayer service, with a study of the Word, is the form for opening. Talks on health, on nursing the sick, on social purity, and kindred subjects have been given. Practical questions of economy, of how to prepare palatable and nutritious food, are discussed, and the best methods of housekeeping and house-making considered, and lessons on sewing given. A sewing-school is held, where both girls and boys are being trained in this handicraft, and influenced toward a better physical, mental, and spiritual life. The nursing department is proving itself a right arm of power, in giving access to hearts and homes that could not otherwise be reached. The larger part of this work is a well-established form of district nursing, thus enabling the nurses to cover much greater constituency than would be possible under any other system. As all the work of this Home looks directly toward the one object of soul-saving, no line is even considered that does not offer opportunity in this direction.

Cunningham Deaconess Home and Orphanage.

Urbana, Ill.

This beneficent institution is prospering in all its departments: efficiently, executively, and financially. Two deaconesses have been assigned to this Home from our National Training-school at Washington—Miss Mary Crawford and Miss H. F. Ganiere. They have been cordially welcomed. There have been in the Orphanage during the year thirty children. Several have been placed in permanent homes. The influence of this Home is felt throughout the Conference.

Detroit.

53 Elizabeth Street West.

Miss LUCRETIA A. GADDIS, Superintendent.

The Detroit Deaconess Home is just completing its eighth year of service. The past year has been a busy one as usual for the twelve workers connected with the Home. Miss Blackburn, the evangelistic deaconess, still continues her work throughout the Conference, going wher-

ever the pastors send for her. Miss Heartwell is Superintendent of the "Florence Crittenton Mission," but continues her relation to the Home as a deaconess. The visiting deaconesses have worked for the various Churches of the city during the year, being divided between thirteen Churches and missions. Fourteen thousand four hundred and eighty-four calls have been made. The nurses have been busy caring for the sick. It is hard to nurse in homes of poverty, but often very necessary, and the deaconesses have been rewarded by the love of the people, as well as in the renewed health of the patients.

During the summer many children have been sent to the country to enjoy the fresh air and good food of the farmhouses. Frequently permanent homes have been found for destitute children in this way. Much of the work can never be reported. Looking up cases, comforting the brokenhearted, teaching mothers to keep their homes clean and children tidy, and sometimes helping people to get moved and settled again—all these things do not count in the general report, but perhaps they do in the report kept above.

Denver.

Miss Briggs, who has been an efficient helper in the Davis Deaconess Home at Salt Lake City for several years, has been transferred to Denver for similar service. She works under the direction of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. The ladies who have this work in charge anticipate such results as will prove a foundation for broader work in the immediate future.

Knoxville.

517 Henly Street.

Miss RHODA E. SIGLER, Superintendent.

Sister Rhoda Sigler gives an acceptable report of her work. She says: "The joy of our Lord is our strength for service. As we go forth 'for Jesus' sake' to do the work before us, our work is easy and delightful. When the Lord goes with the deaconess, the Home Missionary worker, into the 'waste places,' he takes every one's natural shrinking from the degraded and unclean; one's fear of filth and disease; removes our fear of wicked men, and the repulsiveness of surrounding scenes; and it makes the work that would be naturally so revolting, a perfect fascination to the consecrated heart. We can say with St. Paul, 'None of these things move me; neither count I my life dear unto myself, so that I might finish my course with joy, and the ministry which I have received of the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God.'"

In addition to the statistics found elsewhere, she tells the following touching incident: "A woman who was very sick had a few flowers carried to her. A day or two afterward she was taken to the hospital. The flowers that had been placed on the little stand beside her had lost their color, but because she was placed upon the stretcher, she reached out her thin, pale hand and said, 'O! I must take these with me; they were so pretty and so fragrant,' and put them in the pocket of her gown, and carried them with her. One instance of the cheering message that flowers and the deaconesses have given the sick. Another work is the placing of a paper-holder and Scripture text in the street-car waiting-room, and also in the waiting room of the Union Depot.

Los Angeles.

622 West Eighth Street.

Miss WINIFRED SPAULDING, Superintendent.

Less than two years ago, deaconess work, as maintained in the present form, was unknown to the Southern California Conference. October 1, 1896, the Home was opened in the care of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. It began with unfurnished rooms, rented for us by Mrs. DePauw, a small collection taken at Conference, and two trained workers,—Miss Spaulding, the Superintendent from the Cleveland Home, and Miss Day, who had already given excellent service at First Church. The year closed with a comfortably-furnished Home at 602 Court Street and five trained deaconesses. In December, Miss Halstead came from Cleveland. After working a month at Grace Church, the pressing need at San Diego led the Board to send her to that point. The San Diego Church furnished her rooms, and have ably supported and co-operated with her in the work. Her place has been filled this year by Miss Phillips, a graduate of the San Francisco Training-school. Miss Turner, coming to us in January, after five and a half years faithful service in New York City, has done splendid work in the needy district about Grace Church. Being a trained nurse as well, she has been able, with limited time, to minister to the sick. Miss Spaulding, besides presenting the work in fifty-five addresses at ten different points in the Conference, gave two months' service each to Simpson and Vincent Churches, besides caring for the business interests of the Home. At the beginning of the second year, there are five trained workers in the field, four in Los Angeles and one in San Diego. The expenses of the work have been met without difficulty, on account of the great interest aroused. Statistics can not truly represent the earnest spiritual work, the sweet personal ministry, given in the name of the Master, by these faithful, hard-working sisters.

Newark Conference Deaconess Home.

300 Montgomery Street, Jersey City, N. J.

Mrs. —— CLARK, Superintendent.

The Newark Conference Deaconess Home was formally opened on November 5, 1897, in Jersey City, N. J. A large company of friends gathered in the rented apartment to welcome the work and the workers, prominent among whom were Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk, Mrs. R. S. Rust, Mrs. Anna Kent, and Mrs. James Dale, all of the Executive Board. Several of the city pastors were present, and wise words of counsel and encouragement were spoken.

Four deaconesses and a trained nurse helper will constitute for the present the working force in this, the latest of our Homes. The field in Jersey City is large; but as this is a Conference Home, deaconesses will be expected to respond to calls outside from time to time.

Much interest has already been aroused in the work, and there is no doubt that this will develop into a large and important Home.

Mrs. Clark is the Superintendent of the Home, which is situated at 300 Montgomery Street, Jersey City, N. J.

Mt. Carmel.

Miss CARTES K. SWARTZ, Deaconess.

Miss Swartz has had a year of successful service in ministering to the needs of the distressed miners during the hard months of last winter; in teaching kindergarten school, and aiding the children; in representing our work before audiences, and in increasing its knowledge and influence among the people.

Philadelphia.

611 Vine Street.

Mrs. E. TURNEY, Superintendent.

The Philadelphia Deaconess Home, the generous gift of Colonel Joseph Bennett, is valued at nineteen thousand dollars. Farther additions are making, which will add much to this value. It has proven a soul-saving institution, and who can estimate the value of a soul? Here, chlidren are taught habits of industry; young men come for encouraging words; girls seeking refuge from the streets; parents with burdened hearts; all bow in prayer, and carry away a new song of hope. Twenty-four thousand five hundred and seventy lunches were served to working girls last year, averaging nine cents for a nice lunch. Besides the statistics elsewhere reported, the deaconesses have made 314 visits to hospitals, etc.; have addressed 208 meetings; have spent 354 hours in kindergarten work; 508 hours in industrial school work; 4,640 hours nursing the sick. They have also distributed 3,519 Bibles and religious literature; for emergency work have spent $292.58; have given 4,589 garments, 131 baskets of food; have aided 350 families, and placed twelve children in homes. Two missions and six pastors have been served; 122 children placed in Sunday-school; 46 situations procured; and 520 children and mothers have been taken to the country, for which $70.30 have been expended. The year has shown advancement. Two new industrial schools have been formed. New workers have been added to our home circle, necessitating the occupancy of the adjoining property. "We launch out into the deep" as we enlarge our work, with faith to believe His voice will be heard, and 1898 will bring a great gathering of souls.

Pittsburg.

2000 Fifth Avenue.

Miss S. H. EYLER, Superintendent.

The year that has passed has been a prosperous and happy one for the Pittsburg Home. All the workers have enjoyed excellent health, and have been ceaseless in their activities. Five workers have made a record of 7,206 calls during the year, and 6,465 hours spent in nursing. Almost the entire time of three deaconesses has been given up to this important feature of the work.

A trained kindergartner entered our Home during the year. Her mornings are devoted to kindergarten teaching, while the afternoons are spent in parish work among the families of the children committed to her. During the hot weather, her "Fresh Air" work for the most needy proved both a pleasure and a blessing to quite a number.

The "Colored Mission" has many interesting features, one of which is a writing-class composed of men, most of whom are past middle life. This class meets twice a week. For want of space we can not rightly report the work of the "Travelers' Aid" at the Union Station; but four months of faithful labor has proved the wisdom of the movement.

The newest feature of the work is intended to benefit the districts lying outside the city. An "Itinerant Conference Deaconess" will go from place to place, as she may be called, to assist pastors in revival or other religious work. She also responds to calls for assistance from Epworth Leagues, the Woman's Home Missionary Society, and other Societies of our Church.

Four years ago the Woman's Home Missionary Society of Pittsburg purchased our Deaconess Home for $10,500. Of this sum, all but $2,100 has been paid. A thorough canvass of the Auxiliaries has been made, with a view to raising all of this balance before March, 1898. The Home asks the continued support of its Auxiliaries and friends in this work, and that they be more liberal this year than ever before that the final effort to free the Home from debt may be successful.

Shamokin.

Miss LEONE BARTOLET, Deaconess.

The work at Shamokin has entered upon its second year, having made a successful record of one year's work. Miss Bartolet has made over 1,000 visits, and has answered to both the spiritual and temporal needs of rich and poor alike. She mentions a most interesting case of a little blind boy, nine years of age, found in a helpless condition, never having been taught to walk or talk. He is now wearing the first pair of shoes, provided through the deaconess's efforts, is able to walk some, and can say a few sentences. Such incidents serve as an illustrative hint of the good accomplished by faithful personal work. The entire amount for the support of the deaconess for the year to come has been already subscribed, a large portion having been given outside the Church efforts. A lot has been offered upon which to build a house, should it be deemed best to place this half-way between Shamokin and Mt. Carmel.

Syracuse.

Mrs. GEORGIANA CLARK, Superintendent.

The work at Syracuse has suffered a number of vicissitudes during the last year. In the early spring Miss Banta resigned her position as Superintendent, and entered upon special mission work. Shortly after, the Home had moved from the house where it had been located since the beginning of the work, to 1206 South Salina Street. In September, Mrs. Georgiana Clark, a graduate of the last class of the National Training-school, was sent as Superintendent to the work. In October, however, the house to which the Home had been removed, changed owners, and again it became necessary to look up a new location. It was deemed best by the Board of Managers to allow the work to close for a few months until more permanent arrangements could be made for a Home. A bequest of $2,000, that is at their disposal, it is hoped will place the Home on a much more permanent foundation for its future work.

San Francisco.

Bible Training-school and Deaconess Home.

315 Castro Street.

Mrs. H. IDA BENSON, Superintendent.

Already the Bible Training-school situated in San Francisco is among the few large training-schools of the Methodist Episcopal Church—not so much on account of present numbers, but on account of the prospect for the future. San Francisco is a strategic point on the Pacific Coast, and the proper place for the school. Fourteen are now in training for evangelistic, parish, and nurse deaconesses. A building lot has been given to the Deaconess Bureau, and this, with the $1,000 nucleus for a building

Provo.

Mrs. Kingsbury writes: "I have made 529 visits, and attended 239 meetings during the year. Some of these visits have been all-day visits—sometimes all night as well—where there has been sickness or trouble." The industrial school meets every day. Twenty little girls are enrolled. They take no vacation during the year. In midsummer never less than fourteen girls are present.

Mt. Pleasant.

Miss Jennie Potter has just been assigned to serve here. We are sure she will find a cordial welcome from pastor and people.

I am glad to report that the Summer Rest Home at Ocean Grove has had a most happy and successful season. It was under the joint care of Mrs. F. C. Hathaway and Miss M. E. Pierce, of the Buffalo Home. Twelve Deaconess Homes were represented by thirty-eight deaconesses; twenty-one missionaries from various fields, and seven Industrial Homes of the Woman's Home Missionary Society had their workers among the eighty guests entertained from June 15th to September 6th. A permanent organization was effected this last summer, of which Mrs. Anna Kent is President, and Mrs. W. F. Day, Treasurer. We look to this institution as meeting a felt need in the conduct of our work, and hope soon to announce that it is put on a permanent financial basis.

We are anticpating the valuable aid of a Field Secretary, who will be prepared to deliver lectures in our Homes when desired, either on historical or practical aspects of deaconess work; to serve as a tie between the different Homes, and in all ways to build up the various interests that make for the success of a complete whole.

The Deaconess Anniversary held at Ocean Grove, in connection with the Anniversary of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, was greatly benefited by the presence of Dr. Luther Wilson; our President, Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk; Dr. W. W. Clark, Bishop FitzGerald, and many deaconesses and godly women of the Church.

As we close this rapid review of the year's work, we thank God for the past, and take courage for the year before us, knowing that it is only in his strength and guided by his wisdom that we should venture to remain in this work, undertaken solely "for the love of Christ, and in His Name."

JANE BANCROFT ROBINSON, *Secretary.*
AMELIA D. MINARD, *Ass't Secretary.*

BUREAU FOR ORIENTALS.

REALIZING that there were women born in China transplanted to America, and not allowed to go outside of the four walls they call home, we asked the Convention in Springfield for a larger appropriation than had been granted the previous year; we felt we ought to carry the gospel to these sisters who had never heard of the Christ.

Our request was granted, and Miss Lake began the work July, 1896. Largely through her efforts twenty-nine girls, some of them mere children, have been taken from dens of vice during this year; six of them we lost by habeas corpus proceedings. One girl, not more than thirteen or fifteen years of age, was so intimidated by the threatening aspect and

words of her vile owner during the hours of the morning, while waiting in the halls of the court-room before being called as a witness, that she timidly told the judge she wanted to go back to her owners, and she was allowed to go, as it could n't be proved she was a minor, although it was very evident she was such.

Sometimes these keepers of minors (girls) are convicted of the offense; but the small fine of $50 imposed does not deter them from resuming their nefarious business after they have cheerfully paid the fine. I quote from Rev. Mr. Masters, Superintendent of Men's Work for Parent Board in San Francisco, as read at Annual Conference in September last. Referring to the rescue work done by our Oriental Bureau, he says:

"None but brave women would venture down those alleys and slums of darkest Chinatown, where are hard-looking white men drunk with Chinatown whisky. It is anything but pleasant for refined, gentle women to enter houses where girls (slaves, and worse) are to be seen with chalked faces, gaudy silks, and bejeweled head-dress, singing lewd ballads, while Chinamen play mora and drink sam-shu."

Day after day Miss Lake and her interpretess are seen climbing rickety stairs leading into sunless homes and windowless rooms, where patient women, with babies strapped to their backs, drudge from morn till night, and sew overalls till midnight for ten cents a dozen. They have carried flowers day after day into malodorous abodes, and God's comfort to desolate hearts. They have nursed the sick and comforted the dying. They have gone down into ghoulish "chambers of silence," and found sick girls left to die between coffined corpses and boxes of dead men's bones. They have conducted every week Sabbath-schools in squalid tenements, where human beings live packed like sardines. They have held over 1,200 Bible readings in Chinese homes, and a woman's prayer-meeting at the Mission on Friday afternoons.

There have been thirty-eight women and girls at the Home for a longer or shorter period. Some of these have married, eight of them have gone out as servants into Christian families; only such girls could be selected for servants about whom there was no contest, or whose owners would not give us trouble. The average number of inmates is twenty during the year. Fourteen of them have professed faith in Christ.

The day-school is prospering, with an average of thirty pupils. About half of these are inmates of the Home, and the remainder come from Christian Chinese families and from idol-worshiping ones. These native sons will be voters in a few years. Shall their education be Pagan or Christian? In many places in California the public schools are closed against Mongolians, and so they walk the streets more vicious and ignorant than heathens in China.

Our faithful matron, Mrs. Lake, has spared no pains to make the girls happy and contented, yet firmly insisting they shall do the necessary work in a Home of twenty or thirty inmates. This Home being upon the second and third stories of the Missionary Building, causes no little inconvenience, and many weary steps in performance of daily duties.

The Chinese work in Southern California Conference is prosperous. Two workers are employed in Los Angeles, and two in San Diego. Mrs. T. F. Davis, whose efficiency is increased by her ability to speak and teach the Cantonese dialect, resumes her work at Los Angeles, and employs both American and Chinese helpers.

I wish I could have written to each and all of those who, one year ago, pledged money so generously for the support of this work. I had

only the addresses of a few, and to these I have written. To all who have written me letters, and the number has been legion, I have answered. I trust all of those who pledged money at last Convention will renew the pledge at this one; and if they do, I shall soon be notified, that I may be in touch with all in this work, which deserves your sympathy, your money, and your prayers.

The Japanese women's work embraced in the Oriental consists in the maintenance of a Home, where those out of employment, or those sick and friendless, may go for rest and advice.

The missionary, Miss Yamada, being able to address these women in their own language, can carry the burdens of sister, wife, mother, friend, as well as religious counselor; and one helper at No. 1307 Larkin Street said if we could have a glimpse into that Home any day of the year, the quality and quantity of work accomplished would delight and inspire us.

More than one hundred women have been helped in various ways during this year. There are about three hundred Japanese women in San Francisco, and to more of these should we reach out. This work has so increased during the three years since we have been a part of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, that we very much need ten dollars per month more than was granted last year. Shall we have $120 more than then, making the amount granted us $2,120? In all the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, I do not think any missionary or teacher receives so small a sum as do ours, viz.:

Twenty-five dollars for matron.
Fifteen dollars for teacher (three hours per day).
Per month, twenty dollars for missionary among Chinese.
Per month, twenty dollars for missionary among Japanese.
Per month, twenty dollars for rent of Japanese Home.
Per month, ten dollars for house expenses Japanese Home.

Making a total of $110, leaving us only $56.23 for the clothing, feeding, and warming an average of twenty girls per month, these persons all boarding themselves.

With this statement, I close my report.

MRS. L. P. WILLIAMS, *Secretary.*

BUREAU FOR MISSION SUPPLIES.

WITH grateful hearts we bring you the report of our year's work. Our dear Father has given us opportunity and strength for service. How much we owe him! Secretaries and Auxiliaries have been prompt and faithful. Our gifts have gone out to our frontiers, North, West, South. The Industrial and Deaconess Homes have shared also in these. Churches, Aid Societies, Epworth Leagues, Sunday-schools, Woman's Foreign Missionary Societies, have joined with our Auxiliaries in gifts of helpfulness. Only our Father, who keeps the records, can know the result of such cheerful giving. My visit to the Kansas Conferences revealed a history of sacrifice and toil scarce credible, equal to the heroic days of Methodism of our fathers. The heroes still live on the frontier. The bountiful harvests have come to cheer the farmer; but three years of drought, hot winds, and storms made heavy debts, which three years of plenty will scarcely make even, or cancel. No word of complaint

comes from these heroic men and women. Are we ready to renew our efforts for another year, and share in the victory, our country for Christ?

"One holy trust, one army strong,
One steadfast, high intent;
One working band, one harvest song,
One King Omnipotent."

MRS. JAMES DALE, *Secretary.*

BUREAU FOR YOUNG PEOPLE.

I HAVE divided my report for the year ending July 15, 1897, into two parts. One is, "What has been accomplished?" the other, "What we intend (God helping us) to do for the future advancement of this Bureau."

A circular letter to our Epworth League was printed and sent out (with the approval of your Board) to Leagues in nearly all of the Conferences where we have Auxiliaries, and many favorable replies and cash donations have been received. The main object of this letter was to arouse an interest among the members of the League in the work of our Society.

There has also been an increase of Home Mission Circles in Conferences where these letters were presented.

The Secretary of this Bureau had a letter printed (at her expense), and sent out to Conference Executive Boards, urging upon them the importance of appointing a Conference Secretary for Young People. The result is, that while only a short time ago (when your former Secretary of this Bureau reported) there were eleven Conference Secretaries for Young People; there are now thirty-three.

Blanks for Young People's Work have been printed, and are being distributed as rapidly as possible. The Secretary of this Bureau has also had printed (at her expense) a blank for her own use, to send out quarterly to her Conference Secretaries for Young People for their reports. Constitutions for Circles and Bands in leaflet form have been issued; also membership cards, leaflet, and mite-boxes for the advancement of the Mothers' Jewels Department; all are in demand.

Thus far your Secretary has received reports from twenty-four Conferences. When a Circle is reported without its membership, this Secretary has estimated only ten members to a Circle, when there are, in all probability, more; as the lowest membership of any Circle reported is seventeen. Thus from twenty-four Conferences the membership of Circles, Bands, and Mothers' Jewels is 9,355, an increase over last year (according to the last Annual Report) of 2,283.

If the reports continue to come in with such cheering results, there will be a large increase of members among our Young People's Societies throughout our Conferences.

The increase thus far has been in Conferences where there are Conference Secretaries for Young People's Work, showing plainly how important it is for us to urge the appointment of these officers in all Conferences.

Cincinnati Conference has the largest membership in Young People's Societies; namely, 1,771, an increase of 584. East Ohio Conference has a membership of 895, showing the largest increase during the year, of 642.

In the Pittsburg Conference the Secretary of this Bureau has assisted

in all Conference and district meetings held during the past year, was invited to take entire charge of Missionary-day at Bellevue Assembly, and engage speakers for both the Woman's Foreign and Woman's Home Missionary Societies. She also spoke, by invitation, to an audience of young people at a sub-district meeting of the Epworth League, held in Hamline Methodist Episcopal Church, Washington, D. C., last February, and the following Sunday evening spoke in one of the Methodist Episcopal Churches of Baltimore, when the pastor gave up the entire evening to the young people, and where she spent a very pleasant social half-hour after the services were over.

We intend in the future to *push the work*, asking every Auxiliary to help. We intend going into the Sunday-schools and Epworth Leagues silently but steadily with our leaflets for young people, our *Children's Home Missions*, and our personal appeals to the Superintendents of the Juniors (League), to the Chairmen of the Mercy and Help Department, and to the teachers of the infant and intermediate classes. Wherever we can find a church open to us, we shall ask Conference and District Secretaries for Young People to enter and instruct the children of the Churches in all branches of work connected with our Woman's Home Missionary Society.

Conference Corresponding Secretaries and District Secretaries very properly turn their attention to the women of our Churches, and the organization of Auxiliaries; but in many districts they make little or no effort to enlist the interest of the young people.

We recommend, as it has become an imperative need for the more rapid advancement of our work, the appointment of a National Organizer for the Young People, whose duties shall be to go into Conferences where there is a Conference Secretary for Young People's Work, and co-operate with her in instructing and interesting *all* the young people of her Conference in the work of our Society, especially adapted to draw forth their sympathy and aid, who shall also assist the Conference Secretary for Young People in organizing Circles and Bands, interest mothers and their little ones in our Mothers' Jewels work, obtain subscribers to *Children's Home Missions*, and distribute our young people's literature. When this is accomplished, it can confidently be expected that the membership of our Young People's Societies will equal, if not exceed, the membership of our Auxiliaries.

MRS. SAMUEL HAZLETT,
Secretary of Bureau for Young People.

BUREAU FOR LOCAL WORK.

AS OUR predecessor has wisely said in one of her reports, "The success of the local Bureau is to be measured largely by what it has not done;" also, "It is a good omen that this department of our work is not increasing."

It is much easier to interest members of Auxiliaries in working for the poor in their own Churches or cities, than for the heathen in Alaska, New Mexico, Utah, or even for the poor whites and colored people in the South. They say, Is not this a *Home* Missionary Society? Then why not raise our money, and do our work for the poor in our own Church and town?

I would suggest that the word Home was put in the name of our Society to indicate that our work was to be for the needy in the homeland or United States, instead of those across the sea. The needy in our

own Church and town should certainly be cared for; but we think the members of the Home Missionary Society should only be expected to do their share of this work with the other members of the Church and charitable organizations.

It has been my aim during the year to impress this fact upon the workers; also that our deaconesses are doing local work on a large scale; consequently our Auxiliaries can devote their energies largely to raising money for our missionaries' salary, and for beneficiaries in our Industrial Homes, etc.

Local work, as reported to me during the year, is as follows:

Erie Conference.—Jamestown, N. Y.: Cash used, $134.44; paid to city missionary, $14; number of visits made, 176; sick visited, 77; number families not attending Church, 13; number children not attending Sunday-school, 4; unemployed adults, 1; families destitute of food, 7; leaflets distributed, 70.

East Brady, Pa.—Supplies, $14; visits, 2; families not attending Church, 1; children not attending Sunday-school, 5; unemployed adults, 1; children not in day-school, 3; families destitute of clothing, 1; families destitute of food, 1.

East Randolph, N. Y.—Visits, 2; Bibles distributed, 1; religious services conducted, 2; familes destitute of clothing, 2.

Corry, Pa.—Union City, Pa., supplies, $63.25; Mill Village, Pa., supplies, $2; Franklin, Pa., $20; Petrolia, Pa., $40.90; Oil City, Pa. (Trinity), $44.35; Tionesta, Pa. (Circle), supplies, $3.29; Tidioute, Pa., $14; Cash, $30.

Genesee Conference reports $213.50 expended for local work, but does not specify in what way.

The city of Newark, N. J., employs two missionaries,—Mrs. Watson and Miss Lowe,—who report: 5,354 visits made; sick visited, 212; meetings conducted, 207; meetings attended, 777; leaflets and cards distributed, 845; children brought to Sunday-school, 234; children brought to Junior League, 77; garments distributed, 659; shoes given, 78; Bibles given, 63; comfortables and quilts, 4; money received, $81.15; money spent, $72.33.

North Indiana Conference.—Grace Church, Richmond: Number of sick visited, 44; value of supplies given, $59.30; cash, $10.80.

Winchester, Ind.—Number sick visited, 68; leaflets distributed, 10; sick visited, 34; Bible readings given, 6; children brought to Sunday-school, 4.

Middletown, Ind.—Visits made, 35; sick visited, 25; families destitute of food, 2; families destitute of clothing, 3; children brought to Sunday-school, 5; value of supplies given, $38.50.

New Castle, Ind.—Visits made, 12; sick visited, 112; Bible readings, 3; families visited not attending Church, 6; families destitute of food, 2; families destitute of clothing, 4; children brought to day-school, 2; children brought to Sunday-school, 2; value of supplies given, $53.05.

Fort Wayne, Ind.—Visits made, 458; sick visited, 200; Bibles given, 7; Bible readings, 52; families not attending any Church, 10; children not attending any Sunday-school, 11; families destitute of food, 5; families destitute of clothing, 5; children brought to day-school, 3; children brought to Sunday-school, 11; persons brought to regular attendance at Church, 10.

New York Conference.—Visits made, 150; sick visited, 7; Bibles given, 1; Bible-readings, 10; meetings conducted, 10; families not attending Church, 2; children not attending Sunday-school, 2; families destitute of food, 8; families destitute of clothing, 7; value of supplies given, $328.23.

New York East Conference.—Mrs. Faraday reports for class and

house expenses for the Willing Workers' Home, $480.32; and for relief work, $443.42; money raised by Auxiliaries, $328.71.

Southwest Kansas Conference.—Arkansas City: Visits made, 95; leaflets given, 50; sick visited, 55; meetings held, 9; families not attending Church, 40; children not attending Sunday-school, 25; unemployed adults, 2; unemployed children not attending day-school, 5; families destitute of food, 4; families destitute of clothing, 6; value of supplies given, $15.85.

Illinois Conference.—Carlinville: Young Woman's Society, supplies to needy families, $44.60; cash, $19.40. Jacksonville, Centenary Church: supplies, $15; Grace Church, supplies, $7.70.

(MRS.) E. B. GREEN, *Secretary.*

BUREAU FOR HOME MISSION READING CIRCLES.

THIS is the decennial year of our Reading Circle. Public announcement of this Bureau was made in the year 1887, by Mrs. Doud, of Norwalk, O.

The first five years registered a membership of 4,665; the next five years, including the enrollment of 1886 and 1887, 8,467; with a total membership of 13,132. About one hundred thousand volumes, exclusive of the leaflet course and our Home Mission paper, have been read.

As Secretary of this Bureau, I gratefully record these results as worthy the indorsement of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. In the past year I have had letters from fifteen elected Reading Circle Secretaries, and reports of work in twenty-one States. The growing membership in our Society, and the ever-changing conditions of our country necessitate a close revision of our Reading Course. These leaflets, together with the new seals, will be ready for free distribution as soon as they can be printed.

The determining features of our Course of Reading are, that it is short, comprehensive, and low-priced, and treats of a few important subjects, around which others may be grouped, relating to the mission needs of our country. We try, by means of our books, to accomplish three things: To stimulate the intellect, to cultivate the heart, and to develop the executive forces of our nature. By this threefold bond we are all united as members of Home Missions.

When our Pilgrim Fathers were braving the perils of a new continent, our Pilgrim Mothers defended the home with a heroism that possessed the soul even up to the gates of death. This priceless heritage is ours; ours by inheritance, ours by consecration. May the power of good books inspire our minds and hearts to bless people many and far, by the truths we have learned, and the history that is ours to accomplish!

MRS. J. L. TRISLER, *Secretary.*

REPORTS

OF

Conference Corresponding Secretaries.

BALTIMORE CONFERENCE.

THE Baltimore Conference, with gratitude to our Heavenly Father, comes to report the work of the past year.

New Auxiliaries have been formed, and a large increase in the membership of the Society has been secured. We have sent generous supplies to the frontier, contributed to the salaries of the missionaries in Unalaska and at Ellis Island, given to the Emergency Fund and to the work in New Mexico and Utah, supported six beneficiaries in Alaska, aided the Building Fund there; also cared for beneficiaries at the National Training-school, at the Stickney Home, and at the Watts de Peyster Home. We have also supported Tsoi Yi in the Chinese Home at San Francisco.

The total receipts of the Conference for the year aggregate nearly $12,000.

The Baltimore Deaconess Home continues to enlarge its work, and, in addition to the industrial and kindergarten schools among its home and foreign population, it has had two deaconesses, graduated nurses who have done district nursing among the poor. The Lucy Webb Hayes Deaconess Home and Training-school, under the able superintendency of Rev. A. H. Ames, D. D., has had a large class of consecrated women, and many more could be enrolled if we had more room. Larger buildings are imperative.

The deaconesses and students in the Conference are honored and loved for their work's sake.

During the year Hon. William J. Sibley, our friend and benefactor, who donated to the work the Sibley Memorial Hospital, was unexpectedly called to his reward. Brother Sibley has remembered our institution with an annuity that will become available so soon as his estate is settled.

The Conference Anniversary, held at Eutaw Street Church, was crowded to overflowing. Bishop Mallalieu made a forcible address, indorsing the work of the Society. Camp-meeting anniversaries have been held at Summit, Washington, and Emory Groves. At the latter camp the eloquent address of Professor Henrietta Bancroft, of Albion, Mich., will long be remembered.

The Annual Meeting was held at Metropolitan Church, Washington. Rev. J. St. Clair Neale, D. D., delivered an earnest and beautiful address, his subject being "Our Society—the Spirit underlying it, the Spirit of Christ."

The great event of the year has been the visit of Mrs. S. L. Beiler to Alaska. The Conference is devoted to that work, and our love and prayers have followed our sister to that far-away field.

With thanksgivings for the past, we look into the future with hope and courage. CLARA L. ROACH, *Corresponding Secretary.*

CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE.

THE Annual Conference has just closed. Our Society was permitted to hold its Anniversary meeting on the afternoon of the first day of the Conference. Mrs. E. C. Gibson, widow of Dr. Otis Gibson, founder of the San Francisco Chinese Mission, conducted the devotional exercises. Miss Yamada, our efficient little Japanese, in charge of the Japanese Home for women, dressed in native costume, gave a brief account of her work after her own innocent fashion, in broken English. Miss Lake, deaconess, drew life-pictures of mission and rescue work among the Chinese women of San Francisco. Miss Brown, of Manchester, a Government teacher of Indians, read an excellent paper on "The Heart, the Head, and the Hand of the Indian." Dr. W. T. Smith, General Missionary Secretary, occupied a seat on the platform. As the above-named speakers gave incidents of their work, he remarked more than once, "Well, this *is* a revelation to me!"

Dr. Masters made a startling presentation of the Chinese girl-slavery question, and Dr. Case outdid himself in a fervid plea for the Woman's Home Missionary Society. Meanwhile our Conference Treasurer and assistants were quietly circulating cards through the audience. The money and pledges secured amounted to over ninety dollars.

Rev. A. T. Needham, presiding elder, in his report before the Conference, gave the Woman's Home Missionary Society unstinted thanks and praise for valuable assistance rendered to the needy ministers of his district.

The San Francisco Bible and Training School is united with the Deaconess Home in one institution. The school opens October 7th, with thirteen pupils, and applications from four others are under consideration. We have graduated four deaconesses, three of whom were consecrated by Bishop Newman at the Conference. The King's Daughters and Epworth Leagues are assisting worthy pupils in the school, and one lady has recently given $800 toward the maintenance of young women who are unable to meet the expense of study and training. A site for a Deaconess Home has also been presented by the same charitable person. Our Treasurer reports for deaconess work during the year $2,591 received, including the gift of $800 to be used in the present year.

Our Auxiliaries are surprised and chagrined at the falling off in receipts for the Oriental Bureau. Already steps are in progress for a stronger support of this department, and we confidently expect to make a good record next time.

The Annual Meeting, held in July in San Francisco, was a great success, and a delightful occasion. The church in which it was held being less than a block from the Chinese Mission, Mrs. Williams, the Oriental Bureau Secretary, brought the school, with Mrs. Hull, teacher, into the meeting. There were about thirty children, many of whom were neatly dressed in American costume, and when they executed some motion songs, they followed their leader so faithfully and looked so bright and cunning, that they seemed as pretty and captivating as white children.

The pastor of the San Francisco Japanese Church paid a high tribute to the character of the work accomplished in the Japanese Home, and said that it is the only Home for Japanese women in America.

Our membership is larger than at the close of last year. One Auxiliary has been organized, and the subscriptions to the *Woman's Home Missions* have nearly doubled.

Encouraged by the grateful recognition of our work at Conference, believing that our ministerial brethren are in accord with us, and that

our sisters are waking up to the possibilities before us, we shall try to form new Auxiliaries, and to strengthen and enlarge the interests already established.

MRS. R. MCLELLAN,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

CENTRAL ILLINOIS CONFERENCE.

CENTRAL ILLINOIS CONFERENCE reports seven (7) Auxiliaries this year, against four (4) last year, one a camp-ground. A meeting was held during the year, when a full corps of officers was elected. Mrs. B. S. Potter, of Bloomington, was present, and also visited several other charges, making addresses and organizing Auxiliaries. Two districts have been organized, and the outlook is encouraging. Substantial aid has been given to the Emergency Fund. Ritter Home and the Bureau of Supplies have also been remembered.

ELLA G. TAYLOR,
Corresponding Secretary Central Illinois Conference.

CENTRAL NEW YORK CONFERENCE.

WE can not boast of great advancement during the year, although there has been a slight forward movement. Besides the organization of three new Auxiliaries, there has been an increase in numbers, and a larger amount of money raised in the old ones.

Special moneys and supplies have been gathered for our Deaconess Home, Italian work, Alaska, Nooksachk, Bohemian Mission, Simpson Home, and over $400 for Emergency Fund.

It is very gratifying to know that the Thank-offering day is being more generally observed among the Auxiliaries, and we trust the day is not far distant when an appropriate thank-offering service will be held by every Auxiliary in the Conference.

Two wide-awake Queen Esther Circles have been organized, one at Geneva and one at Canton. The former have taken for their special work the support of a beneficiary in Simpson Home, Orangeburg, S. C.; the latter the support of a girl in Clarkson, Miss.

The Queen Esther Circle at Penn Yan has been gratified in seeing some of the fruits of their labor by a visit from the little Alaskan girl whom they have been supporting. Mrs. Louisa B. Ayers, the efficient Secretary of the district, thus describes her visit:

"Our Queen Esther Circle for six years has been supporting a young Alaskan girl, Eudocia Sédick, brought to the Jesse Lee Home by the Government agent from St. Paul's Island, one of the seal islands in Behring Sea.

"She was in utter ignorance then as to school training, and her only uplift from heathenism had been the service of the Russian Mission. Within these six years she has so applied herself as to attain the average scholarship of girls of fourteen, her probable age now.

"She writes plainly, sending her patrons in Penn Yan frequent letters, which are bright and readable, and marked by childlike simplicity.

"In August she was their guest for a week or two, having recently, with five others, been brought to the school at Carlisle, Pa. She was given a formal reception, at which her grace and modest dignity were quite equal to what any white girl of her age could show, responding promptly and heartily to the many greetings, while clinging with a touch

of timidity to the arm of her friend and correspondent, Mrs. W. D. Hallowell, the directress of the Circle.

"Her eyes are black, hair dark brown, which falls in long, soft, natural curls over her shoulders. She is refined, sensitive, and affectionate, always referring to her teacher at Unalaska as 'Mother Soule.'

"She showed peculiar tact on social occasions, keenly observing and conforming to the manners of the rest, especially at table, from the soup to the ice-cream, which she took with daintiness and relish.

"She shows the results of excellent training in all domestic duties, including the care of her own clothing. Although slight and much below medium height, she boasts of her strength and endurance, which are really unusual.

"Best of all, she is a real Christian, and may some day be the center of a redeemed Christian home.

"A blessed work truly for a Queen Esther Circle. Will not other Circles begin to do likewise?"

MRS. W. A. BROWNELL, *Corresponding Secretary.*

CENTRAL OHIO CONFERENCE.

THE work in our Conference has varied little this year from that of preceding years. Ours being one of the oldest Conferences organized, we can not report as many new Auxiliaries, or the great increase in membership that some of the newer Conferences report, but we are holding steadily on our way.

Our special interest has centerd in Asheville, though many other branches of the work have received our aid. Supplies have been sent to sixteen ministers in the West and South, besides valuable boxes to Ritter, Peck, and Asheville Homes.

At the opening session of our Conference meeting we were saddened and almost disheartened by the resignation of our beloved Treasurer, Mrs. W. G. Williams, who had been not only our Treasurer, but our leader and wise counselor ever since our Conference was organized. Her place is filled by Mrs. Dr. J. M. Avann, of Toledo, who has taken up the work with vigor and earnestness. We are growing to regard the change less as a loss than as a gain, in that we have secured one more able leader, while we still retain a strong hold upon Mrs. Williams.

Our May meeting was one of marked interest. We had no outside help, but much latent talent was developed, and several new workers were enlisted, giving promise of future usefulness.

At a meeting of the Conference Board in June, the work for the coming year was partially outlined. To aid the Special General Fund and to give our Auxiliaries some definite object, we decided to assume the salary of Miss Elliott, Superintendent of King Home. Each of our six districts raises one-sixth, and becomes responsible for some particular month. We find that personal appeal for some definite object is most effective.

Our cause was ably presented by Professor Stevenson, of Ohio Wesleyan University, at the Annual Conference.

The outlook for this year is very encouraging. Our Treasurer reports this quarter an increase of $122 over the corresponding quarter of last year.

We dare not tell everything we *expect* to do, but we hope a year hence to report it *as done*. We are planning and praying for advanced work all along the line.

MRS. M. H. DAVIS,
Corresponding Secretary.

CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA CONFERENCE.

ANOTHER year has gone; our march is still steadily onward and upward. Our Treasurer's report stands $1,718.95, aginst $1,372.22 last year. Of this amount, $474 has been used in our local deaconess work, which is a new work inaugurated a little over a year ago at Mt. Carmel and Shamokin, in the coal-mining districts. It has been a specifically local work up to this time, but the recent Annual Meeting voted to ask all the Auxiliaries in the Conference to sustain it in the future. There is reason to believe that it is a good and substantial enterprise, and worthy of our support. Miss Swartz and Miss Bartolet, the deaconesses, have greatly endeared themselves to the people.

All our pledges have been raised: $100 to Miss Tripp's salary, Navajoes work; $50 to Miss Soule's salary; $25 to Asheville building; $100 to Training-school, Washington, D. C.; $10 to Miss Matthews's back salary; $255 to beneficiaries, divided between Ritter, Stickney, Mother's Jewels, Unalaska, and Chinese Homes.

We have two promising candidates from our territory at the National Training-school, and others wishing to go.

Three hundred dollars has been raised for the "Emergency Fund," making three ladies honorary life managers. While this amount represents self-denial on the part of many contributors, it is largely due to the personal effort of our indefatigable Sister Crawford.

Some advance has been made in organization; five new Auxiliaries have been added, though some have dropped out by the way, and all our districts now rejoice in the service of efficient District Secretaries.

We think we have the model Secretary of Supplies in our excellent Mrs. Leidy, of Sunbury. A considerable part of the goods were repacked and shipped by herself.

Two bequests have been left to us this year, one of $2,000 in March by Mrs. Sarah Brown, of Bloomsburg, Pa. This lady was never closely identified with our Conference Society, but was liberal to every good work. In Spetember $1,000 came to us by the will of Mrs. Emma Hammersley, of Harrisburg, Pa. Devoted to the Woman's Home Missionary Society in life, she has thus beautifully remembered it in her death. Who among us is worthy to wear her mantle? Let us emulate her worthy example.

MRS. T. L. TOMKINSON.

CINCINNATI CONFERENCE.

IN reviewing the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Cincinnati Conference for the past year, we feel we have been repaid for any effort on our part, and it is only left us to thank the friends of the cause for their timely aid and prayers, and, above all, our kind Heavenly Father for showers of blessings upon our efforts. We find a steady gain has been made in almost all lines of work.

The Reading Circle has been well represented, but it is greatly desired that interest in this branch of the work should greatly increase. The Young People's work is most encouraging. The Cincinnati Conference is accorded the honor of being the banner Conference in membership of young people.

Glenn Home, situated in Cincinnati, being the special work of the Conference, great interest is felt in it. (See Report.)

At the Annual Meeting at Xenia $200 were pledged to the Emergency Fund in about ten minutes, and a telegram sent at once to our Treasurer, bearing this good news.

One year ago Mrs. D. E. Taylor, Corresponding Secretary, promised, on returning from the Board meeting, to organize an unorganized presiding elder's district. To-day it is reported as having been done, and we may expect the blessing of the Master on this effort.

The Anniversary meeting was held during the session of Conference at Springfield, being ably addressed by Mrs. W. A. Goodman, Jr., and Mrs. James Dale.

An effort is being made to awaken more interest in the Thank-offering at our district meetings, several of which have been postponed until after this Board meeting, they hoping to catch the inspiration which will be carried home by their representatives. However, rejoicing in the good work recorded, we look forward hopefully for a continuous growth in this most important line of Christian work, and trust our Heavenly Father, who in watching our patient seed-sowing, will surely bring in the harvest.

MRS. H. G. MARSHALL, *Corresponding Secretary.*

COLORADO CONFERENCE.

OUR skies are brightening. That a better time financially is approaching is evidenced by the advance shown in our Treasurer's report—an advance which, though not large, yet betokens good things to come.

This year we have worked along the lines of previous years in frontier appropriations, where the cut in the appropriations of the Parent Missionary Society has increased the claims of our noble picket-line upon us. Many of these frontier ministers are graduates of the best universities. One of them, a very successful man, writes: "We are not experimenting; we love the mountains, the work, the people; and until we superannuate we expect to live and work here in the hills." Such a preacher is a proof that the best days of Methodism are not in the past.

We have been able to assist our frontier ministers in supplies and money. We have sent to the Dulce Indian Mission school a thank-offering of $54.42. Thirty-six dollars and ten cents and her clothing have been sent to our little Mary French, in the York Mother's Jewels Home. To the city missions of Denver we have contributed $60, and at Christmas we are able to send $60 as a little gift to our needy pastors. All this cements our work in Colorado into blessed unity and joy. We have sent the Treasurer of the General Society over $200, and lesser gifts have been scattered here and there. Our treasury now shows a balance of $110 to begin the new year with.

The Dulce Indian and Mexican Mission was visited by one of the Conference officers during the year. The Harwood Home in Albuquerque has been visited by one of our friends.

I am pleased to report that the Conference Board has undertaken the support of a deaconess, Miss Melissa Briggs, who has been laboring in Salt Lake City for some time. We hope to push on and found a Deaconess Home in the city of Denver.

The Young People's Circles have generally collapsed, owing to the rise of the Epworth League. Though the same work is still done, it shows a shrinkage in our income.

The four districts are thoroughly organized. The organizers are endeavoring to fill up what remains until the entire Conference is rallied around our Society. The Conference Board has held regular meetings during the entire year. The meetings of the Board have been precious means of grace. The officers are unchanged.

About two hundred and sixty copies of the *Woman's Home Missions* are taken. We anticipate a good year. We need and ask your prayers.

MRS. C. B. SPENCER, *Corresponding Secretary.*

DETROIT CONFERENCE.

DETROIT CONFERENCE SOCIETY reports a year of aggressive work. We have organizations in all our seven districts. Six district meetings have been held during the year, with much profit. Correspondence indicates enthusiasm being aroused as prosperity appears dawning in the commercial world. On one district an Auxiliary at large of forty-two members has grown from the thought of associating those at a distance, who otherwise would be without an Auxiliary bond.

The growth of interest in our mite-box work is shown, in part, by the distribution of 309 additional mite-boxes.

The deaconess work has abounded in good deeds. Statistics can not reveal the excellent work and blessed ministry. We have excellent prospects of soon owning our Deaconess Home property in Detroit.

There is a marked interest manifested in our official organ. On one district every Auxiliary has subscribers to our valuable paper. To the Emergency Fund we have contributed $300.

The department of our work known as Ministers' Loan Library continues to grow in appreciation by our young ministers. Though the change in the course of study at the beginning of the year made obsolete 134 volumes, we have in the regular course of study 653 volumes, having purchased 110 new books. There are now in circulation 571 volumes, used by 62 ministers. The work of our Supply Secretary has been thorough.

Our Conference Anniversary Address, given by Professor Henrietta Bancroft, of Albion College, was a masterpiece, and unexcelled by any previous address.

We are thoroughly organized, with efficient Secretaries at the head of each department. Though we have accomplished but little along some lines, we know our hearts are larger, our sympathies broader, and our spiritual life much quickened by the work we have been able to accomplish, and pledge ourselves to greater usefulness the coming year.

MRS. W. B. POPE, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

EAST OHIO CONFERENCE.

THE Woman's Home Missionary Society has many devoted friends within its bounds, and the more it is known the better it is loved.

All of the districts are organized, and most of them are doing effective work. There are still, however, many appointments where the object of the Society is approved, but the Churches hesitate to organize, lest it damage the interests of the Woman's Foreign Society.

But our experience has been that the Foreign Society prospers most where the Home Society is established. They stimulate each other.

In Cleveland District both Societies are strong, and they hold their Annual Meeting together. The Home takes one day, and the Foreign the next, and they divide the evening between them. This has been done for several years, and has proved so pleasant and satisfactory that neither would consent to a change. Most of the ladies are members of both organizations.

We have Secretaries appointed for the different departments, and hold two Conference meetings annually, one in May and one in September, at the session of the Annual Conference. The addresses of our Conference officers are printed in the Conference Minutes.

The Cleveland Deaconess Home, associated with our Society, is

doing excellent work, and is growing in favor with the people. There are now twelve deaconesses in the Home, three of whom are regularly trained nurses. The property, valued at $10,000, is free of debt, and a building has been furnished for Industrial Schools and where Mothers' and Children's Meetings are held. Miss McIlmoyl, the Superintendent, has the affection of those in the Home, and the confidence of the people. The Mercy and Help Department of the Epworth Leagues has rendered valuable service in securing and distributing supplies. Our Conference is loyal to every department of work, and contributes to the support of most of them. We believe that our Industrial Homes and Schools, when properly developed, embody the best principles of modern philanthropy.

MARY C. HICKMAN, *Corresponding Secretary.*

EAST TENNESSEE CONFERENCE.

OUR Auxiliaries do a goodly amount of Church work, such as helping to pay off Church debts, supply parsonages, and raise the minister's salary.

We will be glad when the day comes that we can support a beneficiary in Morristown Home, or take up some other general missionary work.

Miss Blanche Jefferson, a young lady of most excellent ability, has done efficient work this year in organizing two Auxiliaries, and trying to keep the interest awakened.

Our greatest need is to have officers who will at least try to organize the Churches near them, and keep up the ardor manifested at the beginning.

Mrs. S. C. Hypshire, Secretary of the Knoxville District, reports a large sewing class taught by Miss Anna Mosher, Superintendent of the New Jersey Home, Morristown, and the Mothers' Meeting conducted by her is proving helpful to all who attend.

Mrs. Ellen Moore, one of our Conference officers, will leave our midst, and reside at Nashville. We regret her removal, for her counsel and labor will be missed, as she has always been an impetus to the work at Morristown.

In presenting our work to the people, special emphasis is placed upon the importance of every member lifting herself into a higher moral and spiritual life. Striving to become useful women in the vineyard of the Lord Jesus, each mother is entreated to be a zealous Bible Christian in her own family circle and the community in which she lives.

Members of the different Auxiliaries visit and care for the sick, and furnish garments for the needy in such a manner as to benefit those aided in the truest sense, that the world may see that our object is to try to raise the fallen, and succor the needy, "For the love of Christ."

The Auxiliaries hold two Mothers' Meetings a month. The programs are varied. Usually one is appointed to read some article from the "Home Mission," or a leaflet setting forth one of our mission-fields. Another will line a hymn, and all unite in singing while the sewing is going on.

We held one district meeting on the Bristol District, in connection with the preachers District Conference. It was well attended, and gave new life to the workers on the district.

Pastors where Auxiliaries were organized commended the work, saying the more interested the women are in the Home Mission Society, the more intelligent they become. Others expressed themselves as being anxious to have the work started in their Churches.

The amount of dues paid to the General Treasurer exceeds that of any

previous year. With this report we send fifteen subscribers to our paper, hoping to increase the list during the next quarter.

With willing hearts and ready hands we enter upon another year's work. CORA PROVINE, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

ERIE CONFERENCE.

WE have no great cities in our Conference, few Churches of large membership, and less than one-half dozen of our Auxiliaries number over fifty members. Aside from these, we average perhaps fifteen members to our several Auxiliaries, about twelve hundred members in all, scattered in our rural districts. These are loyal and true to the work of the organization, and, with them, to know of the work is to do it, not so largely as some others can do, but always generously and willingly. Many of our people emphasize the tithe, and thus our giving is liberal and systematic. Some of our Auxiliaries have grown weak, and seem ready to die because of adverse circumstances; but others are putting on new strength, and are growing in activity. We have secured a number of paying members and some subscribers in charges where we have no Auxiliaries, and these are making an influence in League mission work and in supplies. We enroll them as district members, crediting the number, dues, and subscribers in their several districts. Miss McIlmoyl visited us in May, and assisted in forming a new Auxiliary in Erie, Pa. She also helped us most efficiently in Meadville District meeting. Miss Arbuckle, our Brooklyn deaconess, made a telling address at New Castle District meeting. At each of the district meetings a pastor or a presiding elder gave an address. Miss Baldwin, of Haven Home, and Miss Williams, of Boylan Home, stirred the hearts of ministers and people at the Conference Anniversary. Our Annual Board Meeting at Chautauqua was presided over by Mrs. Baker. All the Conference officers and most of the district officers were in attendance. Auxiliaries were well represented, and much good work was done. The widow of Rev. J. E. Chapin, of precious memory in our Conference, gave us $150 for work in Alaska. This names and furnishes the Louisa Chapin room in the new building in Unalaska. Three sisters in Erie Conference are praying and paying for the work at Pleasanton, N. M. This work is among the whites.

The Treasurer's report shows you our contributions to Emergency Fund and our filled pledges.

The new year opens well, and in the name of the Lord we set up our banner, for hitherto he hath helped us.

ANNIE M. CUMMINGS, *Corresponding Secretary.*

FLORIDA CONFERENCE.

THERE are eight Auxiliaries and one Mission Circle in the bounds of our Conference. Some of them are doing good work, while some could not do any. The Mission Circle of Boylan Home, under the supervision of Miss H. E. Emerson, will be in working order. We have quite a number of subscribers to the Home Mission paper. Boylan Home and School opened with a large attendance.

MRS. D. I. GRANT, *Corresponding Secretary.*

GENESEE CONFERENCE.

THE Woman's Home Missionary Society of Genesee Conference has done good work during the last year, but for the first time in the history of our Society we are obliged to record the death of one of our principal officers. On the evening of September 29th, after a severe illness of several months, our beloved President, Mrs. E. E. Chambers, passed from suffering to reward. She was our first and only President, having been elected in 1886 when our Conference was organized. Her re-election from year to year is ample proof of the efficiency and faithfulness with which she performed the duties of her office. She was an earnest Christian, and her first thought and most earnest prayers were for the advancement of Christ's kingdom. She was deeply interested in all mission work, and wrought earnestly and successfully to advance the cause of Home Missions in our Conference. We shall greatly miss her in our future work and plans, but rejoice that our loss is her infinite and eternal gain.

We have made some advancement in our work during the last year. Five new organizations have been added to our number, with a total membership of 79. All of the six districts in our Conference are organized as district associations, and the officers are earnestly, and I may say in most cases successfully, laboring to increase and extend the work in their districts. Our Deaconess Home has had the most prosperous year in its entire history. The Silver Lake Institute was held the second week in August, with daily sessions of one hour each during the entire week. These were well attended, and awakened increased interest in our work.

Special funds have been raised and appropriated in the following manner:

Allen Indian Home at Asheville	$156 00
Ritter Home	75 00
Emergency Fund	125 00
Stickney Home	13 00
Browning Home	40 00
Alaska Home	66 00
Deaconess Home	1,004 00
Local Work	213 00

Small sums have also been sent to Mother's Jewels Home and National Training-school.

Our Supply Secretary reports an advance in amount of supplies sent.

As a Society, we are greatly encouraged as we enter upon the work of another year, and hope that we shall be able to report still greater advances at its close.

MRS. ELIZABETH B. GREEN,
Corresponding Secretary.

HOLSTON CONFERENCE.

HOLSTON CONFERENCE embraces the eastern part of the State of Tennessee. It is mostly mountainous, and its resources are undeveloped; but it has a large number of loyal, self-sacrificing Methodist ministers and many devoted laymen. These people are anxious that their children should have opportunities for education, but are largely dependent upon the Southern Education Society, the General Missionary Society, the Woman's Home Missionary Society, and the Board of Education of the

Methodist Episcopal Church for means to keep their children in school. The average salary of the Methodist ministers of the Conference is less than $300 per year. It is a Mission Conference in a very real sense.

This Conference has four Auxiliaries, with 95 members; one Circle, with 35 members; and one Band, with 22 members.

Their thank-offering was $15; mite-box collection, $6; total collections, $782.

The interest in deaconess work in Knoxville is growing. The new President of the Conference, Mrs. J. Jones, of Knoxville, formerly of Baltimore, is an earnest and enthusiastic worker, and will greatly strengthen the work.

F. V. CHAPMAN,
Corresponding Secretary.

ILLINOIS CONFERENCE.

THE Woman's Home Missionary Society of Illinois Conference is doing good work. Quincy is the only one of the nine Conference Districts without an Auxiliary to the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

Steps have been taken towards organizing Quincy District, and we have reason to think that at our next Conference session every district will be found actively engaged in this branch of mission work. Not more than eight new Auxiliaries have been organized during the year; for this, like all other branches of benevolence, has been hindered by the financial depression peculiar to the times.

The Annual Meeting of the Conference Society was held in Grace Methodist Episcopal Church, Bloomington, Ill., October 7th and 8th. This is said to be the most promising Annual Meeting our Conference Society has ever held.

Miss Crawford, who graduated from the Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school in June last, was consecrated on Friday evening, the 8th, to the work of a deaconess, Bishop Bowman officiating. Miss Crawford will be in our Cunningham Deaconess Home and Orphanage at Urbana, and will go out from there at the call of our ministers, to assist in various lines of Church work.

We are also to have a classmate of Miss Crawford's, a deaconess from the Kindergarten Department of our Training-school, who will be of great help in training the children.

The Cunningham Deaconess Home and Orphanage is in a flourishing condition, and will probably, as heretofore, be the central interest of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of Illinois Conference.

Our paper, *Woman's Home Missions*, is taken in nearly every one of our Auxiliaries, is thoroughly read, and often quoted in our monthly meetings.

Many of our members have responded to the emergency call.

We are moving onward, praying, planning, and working daily for better things.

(MISS) MARY S. PEGRAM,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

INDIANA CONFERENCE.

IN recording the events of the year, we find that growth and faithfulness have crowned the closing of this, our eleventh year as a Conference Society. Difficulties have been met with Christian persistence, and we have learned that while God did not make the way easy for us, he has made something of us.

Every year since the claims of the Woman's Home Missionary Society were first pressed upon our attention, and the Society called into being, we have gained new conceptions of its demands and possibilities, and in none have they been presented more clearly than in the one just closed.

One cheering feature of the year's work is a marked increase of interest among our young people, and we propose, through a circular letter to the Epworth Leagues, to bring the cause of Home Missions more closely to them; this letter also to be the means of raising a fund for scholarships in our Deaconess Training-school and Industrial Homes.

One of these Young People's Societies was organized for this express purpose, a Society of eighteen young girls at Connersville; and, although only a few months old, has sent eighteen dollars into the treasury.

We have recently appointed a Secretary of Young People's Work, Mrs. Sarah Cornelius Parker, of Indianapolis.

The Conference embraces thirty-one Societies. Six of these are especially interested in aiding dependent girls in our Industrial Homes. Four Conventions have been held; in addition to these six public meetings, where the needs of the work have been presented, and large quantities of literature distributed by Conference and district officers. In Indianapolis District Mrs. C. L. Weaver, District President, reports having made thirty-five addresses, in most part, in unorganized Churches. The precious seed thus sown will not fall without the Father's notice. An increased amount of local work has been done, many of our members doing regular deaconess work; some Auxiliaries reporting five hundred visits—this is especially the case with Hall Place and Connersville Auxiliaries. Altogether footing up, over fifteen hundred visits were made by these consecrated women.

The teachers in our schools now number four: Miss Rosie Robertson, the last addition.

Two hundred copies of Mrs. Williams's "Talks to Treasurers" have been printed and circulated.

We are pained to report a lack of interest in *Woman's Home Missions* and mite-boxes. We will faithfully endeavor to increase this. The last pleasing event of the year was the Conference Anniversary, presided over by Mrs. Flora Wulschner, Conference President. Brief reports were given by the Conference officers. These were abridged, so as to give more time to the address of Rev. C. C. Lasby. A large and enthusiastic audience listened to the eloquent and stirring words of Rev. Lasby, as he reviewed the history of the Society, and touched upon the misery of New Mexico, the people of the great West, the Indians, the Mormons of Utah, the immigrant and supply work.

As a result of this meeting a large number of places were secured for the presentation of the work in the unorganized districts. It was a happy day for the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

From the altars of the women of the Indiana Conference grateful thanksgivings ascend to Him who has crowned the work of the year with his benediction, and confirmed it with the seal of his approval.

MRS. A. V. P. ADAMS, *Conference Secretary.*
MRS. JOHN WINGATE, *Assistant.*

IOWA CONFERENCE.

IN passing through the desert of difficulty this year, I have found many oases, with sweet refreshment and shade.

"There lies no desert in the land of life;
For e'en that tract that barrenest doth seem
Labored of Thee in faith and hope, shall teem
With heavenly harvests and rich gatherings rife."

All the Auxiliaries have done well; perhaps not up to the height of privilege and duty, yet there has been increased interest everywhere. I was not able to do any organizing during the winter months, save one district; but under the blessing of the Master and the co-operation of willing workers, ten new organizations have been effected. Three of these were Queen Esther Circles, and they are the first fruits among our young people. I record with gratitude several invitations to present our work to the District League Conventions, and also to the District Ministerial Associations, which indicates that attention is being turned toward the work of our Society. We are still laying the foundation upon which we expect to see a fair structure arise. The statistics for the year are encouraging, having an increase in every department, save subscribers to *Children's Home Missions* and supplies, in which there is a decrease.

We have supported four beneficiaries during the year; one in the Adeline Smith Home, one in the Stickney Home, and two in the Jesse Lee Home in Alaska. Ten dollars were given toward the building fund of the Jesse Lee Home, and ten dollars for a memorial window in the Harwood Home. There is a growing interest in the deaconess work, since the Bidwell Deaconess Home (located in Des Moines, the capital of our State) has become affiliated with our Society, and we are planning to aid in its support the coming year. This work is becoming so popular, that our Conference authorized our Board of Nine to secure a deaconess to visit all our Churches and represent this part of the work, which means much for the future success of the Woman's Home Missionary Society within the bounds of our Conference. I believe that within five years all of our leading Churches will employ deaconesses, and hence we ought to strengthen this department in order to supply them.

The Conference Anniversary was largely attended. Mrs. Nelle S. Brush ably presented our cause. The Annual Meeting, in results, was the best ever held. We are now well organized, and have changed the meeting to a time when we can have more opportunity to transact the necessary business, and be away from the rush, bustle, and distraction of a Conference session. The ministers have received me, as the representative of our work, with great kindness and cordiality. I have not accomplished all that I have labored for or longed to see; but I am not fainting nor weary, for there is nothing to discourage, but everything to encourage. Then, "If I may, I 'll serve another day."

"The sweetest lives are those to duty wed,
Whose deeds, both great and small,
Are close-knit strands of an unbroken thread,
Where love ennobles all.
The world may sound no trumpets, ring no bells;
The book of life the shining record tells.

O ye who would be true forget not this—
Our life of many trifles is the sum.
Great actions never to the many come;
But he who, in His Name, alone shall give
Some needy one a cup of water cold,
Shall surely reap reward an hundredfold."

MRS. LAVANDA G. MURPHY, *Corresponding Secretary.*

KANSAS CONFERENCE.

INTEREST is steadily growing in the work of our Society. The past year has been our best one. More money was contributed than in any previous year of our history. We have added several strong Societies during the year.

Our Conference Annual Meeting was held in First Church, Topeka, in May, with a good representation from the Auxiliaries, and a full attendance of Conference officers. Bishop and Mrs. Vincent were present during part of our sessions, and added to the success of our meeting by their words of encouragement.

During our Conference Anniversary in March, at Manhattan, we were favored by having with us Mrs. James Dale, of Cincinnati, who made many friends for our Society among the members of our Conference.

We have continued the Harwood Home and Industrial School for girls at Albuquerque, New Mexico, as our special work.

Miss Blanch Riggle, our Kansas Conference girl, has entered the Lucy Webb Hayes National Training-school for Deaconesses at Washington, D. C., to fit herself for a nurse deaconess. She is supported by our Conference Society.

We are encouraged, and expect a prosperous year.

HILA B. MCBRIDE, *Conference Secretary.*

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE.

IT is with gratitude to God that we present our report. The work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Louisiana Conference has been carried forward faithfully, although we have been confronted with many difficulties and discouragements; but we thank God, for he has led us safely, and where he leads us we will follow. We have a more encouraging and hopeful outlook for the year upon which we have just entered. There is a great deal of work to be done down South, and we are praying for more consecrated, intelligent Christian women to lead in this great and glorious work.

Statistical report: Money received from the 15th of June, 1896, to October 15, 1896, $42.82; money received December 29, 1896, to July 19, 1897, $50.66; sent to General Treasurer, $50.66; as a whole, $93.48, leaving balance in treasury, $13; making total, $106.48. We have an increase of $21.66 more than last year. Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

I have traveled 1,500 miles in the interest of the Woman's Home Missionary Society this year, and paid my own expenses to and fro. Paid for stationeries from June 15, 1896, to July 15, 1897, $10, with my own money, and have sacrificed to forward this work and attend this Convention. I have organized the following Auxiliaries: Opelousas, Washington, Eola, New Iberia, which gave $2; Bunkie, $2.25; Boonville, $1; Lafayette, $2;

Pineville, $2.55; Alexandria, $2.82; Cheneyville, $2; total, $14.66. The Convention at Alexandria, our Annual Conference Meeting, was a great success, and left a lasting impression and much good accomplished. The Alexandria District is very encouraging. Our motto is, "An Auxiliary in every Church." There is a great field yet before me. A bequest of a lot of ground for an Industrial School at Lafayette, by a prominent white citizen of that place, to the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church. I hope the ladies will take this under consideration. It will speak well for Lafayette, as it is a Catholic settlement. All Creoles live there. Also the Auxiliary at Bunkie bought a lot for $56, for a graveyard to bury their dead, and donated it to the Methodist Episcopal Church. So you can see I have not been asleep. I have organized a Reading Circle in the Board, and I have finished the first year's course. I intend, God being my helper, to organize more Reading Circles, and bring Alexandria District to the front. I owe my success to my husband, for he has surely helped me. I ask an interest in your prayers, that the Lord will strengthen me in this work. With prayers for added blessings, we leave our work in the hands of Him who can overrule all mistakes, and give greater victories in the year to come. Yours in His Name,

D. M. WALKER,
Corresponding Secretary.

MAINE CONFERENCE.

A REVIEW of the seed-time and the harvest of another year prompts our gratitude to Him who maketh both the sower and the reaper to rejoice together. For our Conference Anniversary we were fortunate in securing the services of Mrs. B. F. Potter, who gave an excellent address, and also made an itinerary in our State, representing the work, awakening a deeper interest, securing new members, and organizing our forces. Four new Societies were established at the following places: Kennebunk, Kennebunkport, Westbrook, and Auburn. A Mission Circle of sixteen members was formed at South Paris, and six members were secured as a nucleus for an Auxiliary. Miss Alice May Douglass, Secretary of the Young People's Department, reports two Bands of Mothers' Jewels, and several Societies have made offerings that will be reported by the Treasurer.

Later the Conference Secretary formed a Society at the East Livermore Camp-meeting, and afterward one at Wayne. Other Societies have been visited, and it is wonderful how an interest is awakened when the people are informed concerning our humane and Christlike work. A District Meeting has been held at Gorham, and another is planned for Woodford's. Miss Abbott, of Clark University, spoke at Old Orchard Camp-meeting; also Miss Mitchel, of Atlanta, represented her work at the same meeting, and visited several charges to secure funds for the support of girls in the Atlanta Home.

Special work has been done at several places for the Thayer Home, Immigrants' Home, and Alaska; also for a school in South Carolina. Saco Auxiliary has paid part of a teacher's salary, proving what hands can do when hearts are interested. The Treasurer writes: "They have sent me $70 since Conference." Mite-boxes have done good service, and it is desirable that more should be utilized, that nothing be lost. One bequest of about $300, from a woman in Alfred, Me., will come to our Society when her estate is settled. Our Agent of Supplies, Miss Isabel Allen, has ably managed that department, securing supplies valued at $611. Our officers have rendered efficient service, but their work is somewhat em-

barrassed by the neglect, on the part of the Auxiliaries, to send accurate and prompt reports each quarter. An improvement at this point would favorably affect the work all along the line. Although the subscription list of our excellent paper, *Home Missions*, has increased, this welcome evangel does not yet receive the attention that it deserves. We have much to encourage us in rescuing our sisters from ignorance and degradation, and in elevating them to the dignity and blessedness of Christian womanhood. In serving our Savior and Lord under the guiding star of our beautiful motto, we have the inspiring presence of Him who said, "Lo, I am with you alway."

MRS. SARAH F. PALMER,
Corresponding Secretary.

MICHIGAN CONFERENCE.

THE cause of the Woman's Home Missionary Society in Michigan Conference is quietly and steadily advancing in its various lines of work. One year of work by itself may not show great progress, but by taking year after year, a marked advance is noticeable. Five years ago we attempted the support of our first beneficiary; now we are supporting six. Five years ago we sent to the General Treasury $482.50; this year, $1,758. Five years ago total receipts were, $1,149; this year, $3,100. Five years ago we received the first bequest of $400; since then we have had one of $250, another of $574, another of $200, and another of $100, besides a house and lot worth to the Society about $800.

The advance is not only noticeable in its financial status, but is also marked in the systematic manner in which the work of the Society is done. Each year we are getting on a more substantial basis.

Eight new Auxiliaries were organized during the year, with sixty-eight members; one Mission Circle, of ten members; and we have added to our list eighteen camp-meeting members.

At the Annual Meeting held last November we added to our special work the salary of Miss Anna Mosher, Superintendent of the "New Jersey Home." This was somewhat of a venture for several reasons: first, because of the lateness in the year; and, second, because of the depression in financial matters. We trusted in Him who said, "I will be with you," and the salary has been paid all but eight dollars. One hundred and seventy-nine dollars were sent for the Emergency Fund. Successful services were held at five camp-meetings. The district meetings were more than usually interesting, and more largely attended than formerly. The mite-box work has had an advance over last year. The value of supplies was less, because of the decrease on the demand in our Conference.

The deaconess work branched out during the year. Miss Bell worked in the city of Jackson, and won for herself and the cause many friends. The Home has besides the Superintendent two deaconesses, and two in training. The local work has had its usual attention.

We are devoutly thankful to our Heavenly Father for the many encouraging aspects of the work, and the blessings that come to us continually as we labor for the Master. We begin the new year with added interest, and hope for greater results than in the past.

MRS. LEVI MASTER, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

MINNESOTA AND NORTHERN MINNESOTA CONFERENCE.

MINNESOTA holds "Mission relations" to our Home work, and, as compared with older States, is not yet very strong. Many of the charges of our Methodist Episcopal Church exist in small, new towns, where frequent cases arise of the people giving less than $100 a year for their pastor's support, so that upon our Auxiliaries often devolve the duties of assistance.

Our Auxiliaries, numbering eleven in all, are entirely confined to the "twin cities," Minneapolis containing all but three. Under the existing conditions, we hold the privilege of appropriating one-half of the missionary dues for supplies for our frontier preachers.

Our Auxiliaries, during the year closing with June 15th, expended $132 for pulpit suits, fur overcoats, etc.; $482 for scholarships in our Homes or Missions; to the Emergency Fund $120; sent to the General Treasury one-half our receipts, and to the frontier a good quantity of supplies.

Our joy would know no bounds could we report largely advancing work by way of new organizations. All efforts seem hedged by the cry of failures of the harvest and heavily indebted Church Societies, most of which are doing local work, if any.

In the hearts of our many benevolent women the value of the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society has deepened and broadened, and we firmly believe the future will speak volumes for the prayerful and earnest interest existing.

Our very first Quarterly Home Missionary Meeting was held February 22d, when both morning and afternoon were filled by a delightful program, having also as a guest from the Pacific Coast our beloved Mrs. D. L. Carver.

Our Annual Meeting was held in May, in one of our largest churches, and was of intense interest.

Besides visiting Auxiliaries, the work during the year was presented before a Ministerial Institute in May, with a hope of raising more enthusiasm among the ministers.

At Red Rock Camp-meeting in June, at Annual Conference in September, by a timid worker hardly of one year's growth, and at our late Quarterly Meeting in September, we were greatly gratified to find the attendance greatly increased over any former occasion.

While we carry no banners to flaunt in the breeze, in our hearts we carry consecrated service to our Master in this beautiful work, deep trust and high hopes that some time our beloved Minnesota will shine in the constellation of star States, by advancing in the cause of Christ our Lord.

MRS. JOHN TAYLOR,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

MISSOURI CONFERENCE.

THE Annual Meeting of the Missouri Conference Society was the best ever held in its history. Mrs. James Dale spent two days with us. She made the address, and did much work in a quiet way, as she met the ladies during the sessions of Conference. She addressed a Children's Meeting on Sunday afternoon, and was present at our business meeting.

During the first six months of the year the Auxiliaries were in good

working order, and sent out large boxes of supplies; but during the summer the extreme heat has been detrimental, and while our Auxiliaries are not dead, they are not so active.

The Auxiliary of First Church, St. Joseph, has decided to support a scholar in "Ritter Home."

The "Jewel boxes" and "membership cards" are being used freely, and we hope to have large returns from them.

Our interests were presented at the St. Joseph and Maryville Districts Camp-meetings by Mrs. Spurlock. Good collections were taken for the Mothers' Jewels Home, and much interest in the general work awakened. Only one Auxiliary has been organized during the year. This is a difficult field. It has been pre-empted by the Foreign Society. They are well organized, and have many interested to push the work for them. Many charges feel that they can not afford two Auxiliaries, and the pastors to a large extent do not seem to realize the important work the Home Society is doing, so that we do not have so much assistance in that direction as we should have. But for the past two Conferences we have been most kindly and emphatically brought before the pastors by the presiding bishop and the general secretaries. At our last Conference we were indebted to Bishop Cranston, Drs. Spencer, Rees, and Smith, for not only many kind words, but for the interest in trying to impress the pastors with their duty toward the Society.

We intend to push forward, and do all we can.

MRS. PRICE A. CROW, *Corresponding Secretary.*

NEBRASKA CONFERENCE.

THE greatest need of our Conference is to be furnished with an organizer who can, by her personal presence and words, inspire the workers to hold fast that which they have, and organize in new fields. We are looking forward with hope that the Executive Board will this year allow us such help.

The Annual Conference, being held at York this last September, gave us an opportunity to open the doors of the Mothers' Jewels National Home, and show the ministers and visiting friends our treasures of childhood, farm, and field. We made the most of it. Great delight was expressed by all, and we trust there was born in each a desire to have a helping hand in the good work.

About two weeks ago marked a day of great rejoicing in the "Home," as well as in the heart of the Conference Corresponding Secretary, for after two years of waiting, through the energy of Mrs. Beiler, who seems able to bring things to pass, Ivan Penkoff, a little nine-year-old Alaskan, was safely carried through on his check, claimed duly by Mr. Spurlock, and at once encircled by loving hearts and a halo of prayers. He is proving himself sunny and winsome of nature, and we already believe that Mrs. Beiler struck a rich "find" in that land of gold, a nugget of priceless value. Give your prayers, sisters, that through him some of God's great redemptive scheme may be realized.

MRS. J. R. WOODCOCK,
Corresponding Secretary for Nebraska Conference.

NEWARK CONFERENCE.

THE watchword of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Newark Conference is "Onward." The year just closed has been full of interest, and much has been accomplished for the good of the Society.

In October last we were called to make a change in our Conference officers, our faithful President and Corresponding Secretary feeling obliged to withdraw and take up less heavy work. But we feel that in our selection of Mrs. May Leonard Woodruff for our President, the mantle of Elijah has fallen upon Elisha. The work has grown, and is still growing. Faithful pioneer effort has paved the way for success along many lines, which we believe our chief officers and members generally are not slow to grasp.

Our Annual Meeting, which was held in November in St. Paul's Church, Newark, was a source of inspiration to all who attended.

During the year our districts have been thoroughly organized, officered, and special effort was made to secure for these places women who are alive to the possibilities of good contained in our organization, and who are willing to "Do with their might what their hands find to do." District Meetings were held in each of the four Conference Districts, and much good has been accomplished through work which received its initial inspiration at these gatherings. At two of them, those held at Newark and Elizabeth, we were favored with the presence of our faithful and energetic National President.

On the Newark District much interest has been shown in the supply work, and many boxes and barrels have been sent to our Homes and to faithful ministers of Christ.

Elizabeth District has also made a good record in this respect, and much faithful work has been done for our beloved Society.

Paterson District seems to have wakened to its privileges and possibilities. This is indicated by the fact that three of the four new Auxiliaries organized in our Conference during the year, and two Young People's Societies, are in charges on this district.

Jersey City is also full of interest in our work in the direction of a Deaconess Home, rooms for which have been secured in that city. We feel that, after long and patient waiting, we are now to see the realization of some of our hopes in the opening of this Home in this city, where it is so greatly needed.

The Conference Union Meeting, the third in a series, embracing the New York, Newark, New York East, New Jersey, and Philadelphia Conferences, was held in Hanson Place Church, Brooklyn, March 20, 1897. On this occasion Mrs. Fisk presided, and pastor and people united to give us a royal welcome. We believe that these meetings have produced unity of feeling and increased knowledge of the work, and have resulted in good to all who have participated.

The local work in Newark, under the direction and control of our Woman's Home Missionary Society, has been the medium of great good to many of the unchurched poor in that large city. Mrs. Florence D. Watson, our faithful home missionary, and Miss Lowe (and for part of the year a third worker also), have done faithful work, and have brought light and comfort to many hearts, who otherwise might have raised the bitter and hopeless cry, "No man cared for my soul." Mrs. Watson reports 5,354 visits made, 234 children brought to Sunday-school during the year.

Our Camp-meeting Anniversary was held at Camp Tabor in August. It was an occasion of great interest, and was profitable to all who attended.

Mite-box Secretary Mrs. A. D. Freeland, reports $508 received during the year, through these small but effective devices for gathering even our most insignificant coin for the treasury of the Lord. But how great the sum when multiplied by Auxiliaries, and again by Conferences!

The supply work of our Conference, as represented by Mrs. Boswell,

has been ably carried on. Many boxes and barrels have been filled and sent to our Homes and ministers on the frontier.

The Emergency Fund has received attention, by subscriptions from both individuals and Auxiliaries.

The "Missionary and Deaconess Rest Home," in Ocean Grove, is an object-lesson of instruction in practical benevolence for the many who visit it each summer. It is now fairly established, and through the personal ministrations of those who have been most concerned in its establishment, supplemented by the gifts of those who could not do any other thing, we have here a beautiful place of rest by the sea for the blessing of our many workers, who here find refreshment for mind and body.

Our pledges have all been redeemed, and in some cases the amounts raised have been in excess of those promised. These are on the credit side of our account to the amount of $100.

Our Reading Circle has many members, who are thus gaining an intelligent interest in our Society.

Woman's Home Missions and *Children's Home Missions* are thoroughly appreciated among us, and the list of subscribers to both, particularly to *Children's Home Missions*, is large. It seems to be just the thing needed for the guidance and instruction of our young children, and will certainly make Woman's Home Missionary Society women of all the subscribers.

Our Conference Society has a peculiar interest in the work of our Industrial Homes and in Deaconess Work, because of our personal interest in and knowledge of several of the Christian women who have done so much by practical work to secure the success of these branches of our Woman's Home Missionary Society. Mrs. Lewis and Miss Morehouse in our Southern Homes, and Mrs. Clark, Miss Kirstine Peterson, and Miss Crawford are names of those whom we have known and loved for many years, and whose career as Christian workers we watch with pride.

We are represented in the Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school for Deaconesses at Washington by Mrs. Cole, whose support the Executive Board assumed at the September meeting.

Our Auxiliaries support beneficiaries in Jesse Lee, Boylan, Harwood, Haven, and Watts de Peyster Homes. We are sure that every Auxiliary which thus becomes connected by bonds of Christian benevolence with these forms of our work, will take an added interest in every part of the work. The blessing of giving is like the quality of mercy—

> "It is not strained:
> It droppeth like the gentle dew from heaven,
> Upon the place beneath. It is twice blessed:
> It blesseth him that gives, and him that takes."

MRS. CHARLES E. HILL, *Corresponding Secretary.*

NEW ENGLAND CONFERENCE.

IN the midst of financial depression the cause of the Woman's Home Missionary Society has yet been abundantly prospered, and we have to report the largest sum ever raised in one year. Before the call of our General Treasurer for an Emergency Fund to meet the Society's indebtedness had reached us through *Woman's Home Missions*, our President, Mrs. G. W. Mansfield, in calling the monthly meeting of the Board, sent out to its members an earnest appeal to come prepared to help, that our Conference Treasurer at the close of the meeting had $165 in hand.

The sum grew before the close of the financial year to $553, and is still increasing. The Conference work calls for quite an amount for its support, yet there is no tendency to localize our efforts. A beneficiary has been supported in the Lucy Webb Hayes Deaconess Home at Washington, D. C.; contributions have been given for Stickney, Watts de Peyster, Asheville, Browning, and other Southern Homes, as well as for the work in Utah and on the Pacific Coast.

Decrease in immigration has found no diminution in the labors of the Superintendent of our Immigrant Home, Mrs. A. C. Clark, and her assistant, Miss Lillian Huff. The Immigrant Commissioner not infrequently commits to the care of Mrs. Clark cases requiring careful consideration and adjustment before the person can be admitted to a residence in the United States. Her judicious counsel and Christian ministrations to such strangers, understanding little of our ways of life and possibly nothing of our language, is an inestimable blessing. Work among the children who are weekly gathered in the Home for a sewing-school, and sometimes a little prayer-meeting, has increased in interest and numbers. The friendly ministries to needy neighbors in their homes has often brought rich blessing beyond the material aid. The cost of supporting the Home for the year was $1,340.

The work of the Medical Mission, under the direction of the devoted and cultured Superintendent, Professor Harriette J. Cooke, has broadened in its second year, both in the numbers it has reached, and in the different cases treated at the clinics held at the Mission, 40 Hull Street, Boston. The singing in the gospel service is a wonderful attraction, and many are glad to join in the hymns who have not learned to love the Christ. The faithful nurse, Miss Wade, as she has lovingly ministered to the sick in their homes, and taught them needed lessons in cleanliness, has won souls to Him, in whose name she works. Six hundred and fifteen patients have been treated at the Medical Mission, and 758 cases outside, and 2,613 visits have been made in homes. The expenses of the Medical Mission last year were $846. The estimated cost for the coming year is $1,050.

The value of supplies was somewhat smaller than in some previous years, because of the larger call near our own homes.

The work of the Religious Periodical Bureau and the Home Missionary Reading Circle has not been neglected. Two new Auxiliaries and one Circle have been organized during the year. A bequest of $463.50 has been received by the will of Miss Hannah Haven, of Malden, Mass.

At our Conference Anniversary in April, our honored President, Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk, was the speaker, and her words carried their usual weight and power.

The record of successful work may not be closed without a word of the shadows that have touched us. Through many months our roll was unchanged, save as it lengthened as we welcomed a new worker; but just as we met for our Conference Annual Meeting, Mrs. S. B. Holway, honored and beloved throughout the Conference for the strength and beauty of her character and eminent Christian graces, ripe in years and wisdom, was called to meet the Master whom she has so devotedly served. She was the first President of the New England Conference, and a member of the Board until her death. Mrs. J. W. Cushing, a member of the Board, has been bereaved in the death of her husband.

Thanking our Father for the privilege of being co-laborers with him, we look forward to larger usefulness in the years to come for the love of Christ and in His Name.

SARAH WYMAN FLOYD,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

NEW ENGLAND SOUTHERN CONFERENCE.

OUR former beloved and very efficient Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Alice Tregaskis, has been compelled to resign on account of removal from the Conference.

For the first time we have to record the loss of one of our interested and faithful workers. Mrs. V. R. Wheeler, Treasurer of Norwich District, passed away early in the year.

Various signs indicate a growing interest in our work in the Conference. Pastors are requesting that our work be presented to their people, and Churches are asking for information. Three new Auxiliaries at important points have been organized, and none discontinued. An especially encouraging feature is the organization of an enthusiastic Young Ladies' Circle in the city of Providence.

It is the intention to bring together in this Society the young ladies from all the Methodist Churches in the city. The pledges made at the Annual Meeting have steadily increased for several years, and have been in almost every instance fully redeemed. The response to the appeal for $5 subscriptions to the Emergency Fund has been prompt and generous. To the Leaflet Fund the Auxiliaries have contributed very generally, and have been better supplied with literature.

We have within our Conference a large and growing Portuguese population. One Auxiliary, that of County Street, New Bedford, has awakened new interest, and increased its revenues by helping support a mission among these people. One of our members teaches both in the Sunday-school and the evening school, and the mission is frequently visited by a committee appointed by the Auxiliary.

Our Society was greatly encouraged by the presence of our National President, Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk, at the Conference Anniversary. Her inspiring address awakened new interest, and won friends to the Society.

The results of the year, although not large, are encouraging. We enter upon the new year, praying that the Master, whose we are, and whom we serve, will give us wisdom and strength to go forward.

MRS. J. A. SOUTHARD, *Corresponding Secretary.*

NEW HAMPSHIRE CONFERENCE.

FOR the past few years New Hampshire Conference has reported an increase in interest and enthusiasm throughout her borders.

This year we are happy to report twelve new organizations—nine Auxiliaries, two Bands, and one Queen Esther Circle. We have also several Mite-box Circles, and the work has been introduced into many Junior Leagues. We do not consider this the work of one year's effort, but of several.

Almost all of the new Auxiliaries have reported an increase in membership since organization.

Mrs. B. S. Potter, of Illinois, gave the address at our Conference Anniversary, and spent several weeks with us strengthening and organizing Auxiliaries, and giving information to Churches. She gave us most excellent service.

We had with us the past summer several of our missionaries, who spoke at our camp-ground anniversaries and in some of the Auxiliaries.

Miss Emerson, Miss Russell, and Miss Penfield were among the number. On one camp-ground one lady secured one hundred Mothers' Jewels.

During the past year we have supported, or helped to support, beneficiaries in the South, Alaska, in the Chinese Home, Watts de Peyster, have helped the Mother's Jewels Home, and sent money to the Emergency Fund.

At our Annual Meeting, held in Claremont, N. H., in September, an advance in all lines of work was reported.

On one of our districts a Union Home and Foreign District Meeting was held, which was very successful, and a most beautiful spirit prevailed.

Our districts are now provided with proper officers. We also have a Mite-box, Supply, Reading Circle, Young People's, and Mother's Jewels Secretaries; all doing good work.

ADA T. WELLS,
Corresponding Secretary.

NEW JERSEY CONFERENCE.

THE outlook for effective work on the districts was never more promising; they are all now officered by consecrated women, who are anxious to work for the Master. Many of our district meetings are Conference Conventions in miniature, because of the interest shown in the various departments of work.

Our Conference Anniversary was a success in every way. Rev. Parks Cadman, of New York City, and Dr. George K. Morris, of Boston, were the speakers. Our National President having accepted an invitation to visit our Conference on that occasion, was once more at home with us as the presiding officer of the evening. Our Conference President originated the thought of sending out letters to pastors throughout the Conference, soliciting a hearing for our work. These letters were written by the Secretary, and besides bearing her signature, the President also gave hers. We are hoping in this way to awaken interest, and at the same time open the way for organization.

We pledge another year of faithful, earnest effort for Him who has given us the promise of the "Inasmuch."

G. M. P. WELLS,
Corresponding Secretary.

NEW YORK CONFERENCE.

THE New York Conference Society, metropolitan in name, cosmopolitan in scope, humanitarian in spirit, and Christlike in purpose, brings greeting to the mothers and sisters of our Society. We know that you will rejoice in our successes, and be patient with our weaknesses and limitations. We report progress, and ask to be continued in our work.

We have raised nearly three times as much money this year as we did last, the excellent report of $3,000 being made possible through a beautiful bequest of $884 from Mrs. Anna Maria Lamorie, of Hyde Park, which came to us in December of 1896.

We trust the present year may have as fortunate a closing month.

At Springfield last year the Conference Society, through its efficient and much-loved President, Mrs. Mary Fisk Park, made pledges to the Home for Immigrant Girls, to Alaska, to Oriental Work in California, to Mormon Work in Salt Lake City, to Ritter Home, Athens, Tenn.; all of which pledges have been faithfully met. Also, we have given large donations to Watts de Peyster Home at Tivoli, aided in the Emergency Fund, and packed a big box for Alaska, valued at $160, and which included a new Singer sewing-machine. The box was unpacked during

Mrs. Beiler's visit to Unalaska, and the letters of delight and gratitude from the missionaries and Mrs. Beiler are worthy to be kept in the archives of the Society.

Our supply work, which is most carefully managed by Mrs. Jennie Baird, represents an increase over the previous year. We have one Auxiliary in the Conference not yet two years old, which has gathered supplies valued at $1,000 since last May (Madison Avenue Auxiliary, New York).

We have also grown in numbers. Some new Auxiliaries and Children's Bands were organized last May on the Poughkeepsie District, by Miss Martha Van Marter. The public meetings of the year have had strong programs, and been well attended.

The group-meeting of five Conferences, held at Hanson Place Church, Brooklyn, the Conference Anniversary, and the Annual Meeting of the Conference Society were all favored by the presence of our National President, Mrs. Fisk, whose labors are abundant from sea to sea. We are trying to take good care of the institutions of the General Society, in which we are especially interested, because they are located near to us. "The Rest Home for Deaconesses and Missionaries," at Ocean Grove; "The Immigrant Girls' Home," in New York City; "The Watts de Peyster Home" for homeless girls, at Tivoli, have each the hearty support and indorsement of the New York Conference Society.

MRS. J. W. CAMPBELL, *Corresponding Secretary.*

NEW YORK EAST CONFERENCE.

IN reporting for New York East Conference last year, I said, "The Home Missionary spirit is growing, and those closely watching developments can discover sure signs of increasing interest and friendliness on the part of Churches and pastors."

Our experience the past year has confirmed that opinion, and to-day the Woman's Home Missionary Society in this Conference counts among its warmest friends and allies those gained during the year.

We have been able to enter many Churches hitherto closed to our organizations, while others are standing ready to invite us, as soon as circumstances will permit. The only obstacle to the rapid spread of our Society in this Conference has been the feeling among the Churches that it took money out of the missionary field in our own cities, which need it so much. No opposition on any other ground has ever been felt or expressed, and much of the increased popularity of the cause is due to the action of this meeting last year, in allowing a division of the membership dues with the Deaconess Homes. Naturally the residents of our large cities are *most* vitally interested in the needy ones *nearest* their own doors, and the desire to minister to these leads them into closest sympathy with the city work of our deaconesses, so that this apparent desire on the part of this Board to help the local home field has opened the hearts of our constituency to the Woman's Home Missionary Society as never before.

Thus we feel that the Lord is opening wide the door for the larger prosecution of this important work in this conservative Conference.

We have redeemed all our pledges made last year, and increased our contribution to the General Fund. Our Deaconess Home has received $4,085.30 from our treasury, and over $1,500 in supplies.

Our faithful Secretary of Supplies, after noting the fact that we stand

fourth Conference in amount of supplies sent, says: "Letters of gratitude are pouring in from all directions, saying that our supplies are the best in quality, value, and acceptability of any received, and invoking the blessing of the Heavenly Father upon those Auxiliaries which, by their timely gifts, make it possible for them to keep the light of Methodism burning in the darkness of those Western States."

Our districts are more fully organized than ever before, and our district officers are vigorously pushing their work with good results.

At our Conference in April, Bishop Walden delivered the Anniversary address, which, though short, gave the warmest kind of indorsement to the work of our Society, and Miss Arbuckle, one of the younger deaconesses from our Home, electrified her audience by her splendid presentation of that work.

Our all-day Conference Society meetings and our district monthly meetings have been times of refreshing, where every department of our whole work has been faithfully presented.

The group-meeting this year, held at Hanson Place Church in February, was largely attended and greatly enjoyed by representatives from the New York, New Jersey, Newark, and Philadelphia Conferences, who in turn did their part to make the meeting helpful and inspiring, as all these group-meetings have been. We commend our experiment to other groups of Conferences.

The co-partnership in the conduct of our Deaconess Home, hinted at in our last report, has been consummated. The Brooklyn Church Society has become affiliated with us in this work, they agreeing to provide a house and to aid in its support. A fine house, valued at $20,000, has been donated for this purpose by Mrs. Hans Christian, of Brooklyn, and the rooms are being rapidly furnished by Churches, Auxiliaries, and individuals.

The year, as a whole, has been a pleasant and prosperous one, and from this Ebenezer we go forth with courage and hope for the future.

MRS. CLARA H. CARHART, *Conference Secretary.*

NEW MEXICO MISSION (ENGLISH) CONFERENCE.

LIFE, with hope gone, is not worth living. Work, with hope waning, is indeed drudgery. The work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society is filled with life, bright hopes, and results already realized. During the year just closed we have seen more results in our work in New Mexico than any previous year. We had hoped to establish Auxiliaries throughout our field; but our Churches, having been much pressed upon by the long financial crisis, felt they could not consent to a complete organization; however, we were enabled to get reports from Secretaries of Supplies, from Churches that never before reported, so by gradual working we believe every charge will have a Woman's Home Missionary Society. Our schools have done excellent work. For lack in funds, our missionary preacher for our English people in Las Cruces was removed last year; and yet we found, through the efforts of the missionary in charge of our Spanish school at this point, Miss Tripp, our Methodist Church is still maintained; also that the school has made excellent progress in the Spanish work. Our school in Las Vegas is alive, and doing most satisfactory work, Miss Snyder being the tireless worker. Our Industrial Home in Albuquerque is an especial pride to us. Harwood Home is known throughout New Mexico, Colorado, Arizona, California; in fact, throughout Methodism this Home is recognized. Our teachers have

done excellent work, not only in spiritual lines, but in domestic and school work. Our Albuquerque ladies have recently put a piano into the music room, which they are to furnish, and are now ready to accommodate pupils in music. Our work is interesting people in every locality.

Our Auxiliary in Albuquerque last year gathered and disbursed supplies to the amount of $18. Santa Fe sent in the amount of supply work in cash which they had contributed, and throughout our Conference each year more of this work is done, showing how the Woman's Home Missionary Society has opened new avenues of usefulness for the betterment of the surroundings of the physical man in this far Southwest, as well as for the purifying of immortal souls. The results of this missionary work will only be revealed when our eyes open to things eternal.

MENTA S. BOVARD, *Corresponding Secretary.*

NORTHERN NEW YORK CONFERENCE.

THE Annual Meeting was held in April, at Watertown, N. Y. All of the Conference officers were re-elected with the exception of the Treasurer. Mrs. A. E. Henderson, of Oswego, declined re-election, and Mrs. W. R. Fitch, of Lowville, N. Y., was elected Conference Treasurer for the ensuing year.

The Conference Anniversary was addressed by Mrs. George, Superintendent of Watts de Peyster Home. She made an interesting statement of the work generally, but especially set forth the efforts of our Society in the Industrial Homes and Schools.

At most of the camp-meetings in the Conference addresses were made, and the work and claims of our Society were presented to the people.

The district meetings have been held on every district in the Conference. They were visited by the Conference President, and by other of the Conference officers, who made addresses in regard to the deaconess work, the work in the Homes and Industrial Schools and Missions, and the general work and scope of our Society.

Miss Mary L. Gilbert, Conference Manager of Deaconess Work, has secured $100 for a scholarship in the Lucy Webb Hayes National Training-school.

We have received a bequest of $50 from Mrs. Harriet A. Rundell, of Mexico, N. Y. The Asheville Home has received the funds. Other bequests have been made, but not yet reported.

Special work has been accomplished in raising funds for scholarships, and for the endowment of beds and furnishings in our Industrial Homes and Schools.

There has also been increased activity in the deaconess department of work, not only in raising money, but in endeavoring to establish deaconess work within our Conference. There has been a loyal response to the call to aid the Emergency Fund.

The volume of supplies furnished has been large, and well directed under the management of Mrs. J. V. Ferguson, Knoxboro, N. Y., Conference Secretary of Supplies.

Clara A. Kemble and Ida Alice Blanchard, our missionary candidates, who were accepted, have been assigned to Watts de Peyster Home, and are performing acceptable work.

Cheering results have been experienced in the distribution of mite-boxes.

There has been an increase in subscribers to *Woman's Home Missions* and the *Children's Home Missions* has found a place in our homes.

We have made several life members, and the Contingent Fund has received increased attention. Auxiliaries and Circles have been organized, and the work generally is in a prosperous condition. With increased appreciation among our people, and with experienced officers at the head of the various departments, we bespeak greater usefulness for our Society for the ensuing year.

(MRS.) ALICE G. HUNT,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

NORTH INDIANA CONFERENCE.

THE hearty interest taken by the Auxiliaries of our Conference makes the duties of the Corresponding Secretary a pleasurable task in presenting the Annual Report.

Each year since the organization of the Woman's Home Missionary Society in our Conference there has been an advance over the preceding year.

Notwithstanding the general financial depression in the first half of the year, and the falling off of contributions in the general work, we are most happy to be able to report that we have not failed to sustain our record, for this has been the very *best* in the history of our Society.

While we are not satisfied with what has been done, yet the constant growth shows a healthy condition, and promises larger results for the future.

Our statistical report shows an increase in Auxiliaries, an increase in membership, and an increase in contributions. A number of our Auxiliaries are on the "Roll of Honor."

"Hitherto the Lord hath led us;" with devout thanksgiving we ascribe unto him all praise.

The last unorganized district in our Conference was organized last May, and is planning to hold a district meeting in the near future. The other five have held successful and profitable meetings, three of which the Corresponding Secretary attended.

The Annual Meeting was held in Wabash in May, was largely attended, and was full of interest.

The Annual Address was given by the General Treasurer, Mrs. D. L. Williams. It was full of information, and aroused an interest which I trust will result in greatly increased contributions. At the close of the address pledges were secured of $125 for the Emergency Fund.

The special work for the year was the support of Miss Flora Mitchel, Thayer Home.

We have had beneficiaries in Bennett, Dulce, Harwood, Haven, Jesse Lee, New Jersey, Oriental, and Ritter Homes. The needy in our immediate vicinity have been looked after by our local committees.

Our Supplies Secretary reports that our Conference has been mindful of the needs of our ministers on the frontier and our Industrial Homes. With these boxes and barrels have gone the prayers, that those to whom they minister comfort, may also receive heaven's choicest blessing.

Through the energetic efforts of our Mite-box Secretary, quite an amount has been received in this quiet way.

The Thank-offering and Day of Humiliation and Prayer were observed, many of the Auxiliaries holding very successful public meetings.

Our Anniversary service at the session of the Annual Conference was largely attended. An inspiring address was delivered by Rev. C. E. Bacon, D. D., which was rich in thought, presenting the work of our Society to a delighted audience, and we believe aroused increasing enthusiasm in the work of our Society.

The cordial support of our loyal pastors is most highly appreciated, and their Conference report of our Society assures hearty co-operation. The growing interest throughout our Conference gives promise of increasing contributions. The outlook is encouraging.

MRS. L. H. BUNYAN, *Corresponding Secretary.*

NORTH NEBRASKA CONFERENCE.

IT is with gratitude to God that we present our report for the past year. While we have not accomplished all that we hoped, yet we are moving steadily onward in this great work. There have been organized during the year three Auxiliaries and one Mission Band, while one Auxiliary that had lain dormant for two years has sprung to life with a membership of twenty-eight.

Our Annual Meeting was held in Stanton, July 14th and 15th. The reports of our Treasurer and Supply Secretary were very encouraging. Thanking God for the past year, we expect to trust and work for greater things the coming year.

MRS. WILLIAM ESPLIN,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

NORTH OHIO CONFERENCE.

OUR Conference Society began the year with a little anxiety. Financial pressure was severe upon all our territory. The able Secretary, Mrs. N. S. Albright, who had given many years of service to the work, we lost by removal. But notwithstanding these hindrances, the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the North Ohio Conference still lives. More than that, it has made marked advance.

The Annual Meeting was held in Mansfield last November, at which our Treasurer, Mrs. D. L. Williams, made an inspiring address, which, doubtless, gave an impetus to the work of the year.

Several new Auxiliaries have been formed, and some have taken on new life. A hearty response has been made to the call for the Emergency Fund. Generous contributions have gone out to our Supply Department; some of them coming from Churches where there is no Home Missionary organization.

Some of our Auxiliaries enjoyed the privilege of making a birthday gift to our Home Missions; but in this line we grieve that we are not able to report better work. We charge ourselves for the next year with increasing, as largely as possible, the subscriptions to both our papers, and enlisting the children and young people more generally in our work.

At our Anniversary meeting at the session of our Annual Conference, Dr. Lewis, of Cleveland, and Miss McIlmoyl, of the Deaconess Home, spoke for us. It was a helpful hour.

During the year ending with the Conference, we made an advance in cash and supplies, over the preceding year, of more than twenty-five per cent. For this, for the faithfulness of the old Auxiliaries, and for the enthusiasm of the new, we bring glad thanksgiving.

We are not unmindful of the fact that we still have untilled land, but "the dew of promise already cheers the soil."

We have caught the message, "Be strong, and of a good courage," and trusting in the wisdom of our great Director, we hope to push our work with increasing energy.

MRS. A. D. KNAPP,
Corresponding Secretary.

NORTHWEST IOWA CONFERENCE.

As a whole, the work has not declined. The fall District Conventions were omitted, because of the general financial depression and Presidential campaign.

Our Conference took part in the interesting Convention of the State Association, held at Marion, Iowa, at which Dr. Ames did such grand service for the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

The only organizing done has been three Bands by district officers.

Reports of interesting Thank-offering and Day of Humiliation and Prayer services, with large collections, came from more Auxiliaries than have ever before observed these days.

Renewed interest has been arousd in the Home Missionary Reading Course. About one hundred report taking these readings.

The twenty-five cents asked from each Auxiliary toward Leaflet Fund has been responded to by Auxiliaries in amount reported, $2.86.

One hundred and twenty-three dollars and twenty-four cents has been reported given to the Emergency Fund.

The other special work has been for salary of Miss Ida Gibson, missionary to Italians in New Orleans, the Des Moines Deaconess Home, Mothers' Jewels Home, beneficiaries in Stickney, Jesse Lee, Chinese Girls, and Peck Homes, and a student in Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school; the latter through contributions from Epworth Leagues.

Many Auxiliaries are receiving funds through sale of the Aunt Jemima Baking Powder, making this a systematized item of their work.

Systematic beneficence is receiving much attention. Mite-box membership and work is made a specialty.

Our women have continued their loyal helpfulness. This year they expressed their appreciation by tender, loving words, accompanied by a $25 purse as a Christmas present to their Conference Corresponding Secretary.

Bishop Walden greatly cheered our hearts by his edifying, encouraging words concerning our work, and Godspeed to the workers, at our Conference Anniversary.

As we labor on, we grow more and more in love with Christ, and thankful for this privilege of service, which strengthens spiritually, inasmuch as it is given for his sake and in his name.

MRS. J. P. NEGUS, *Corresponding Secretary.*

NORTHWEST KANSAS CONFERENCE.

ALTHOUGH the hard times are still upon us, yet we are not discouraged; but are doing what we can to keep up the interest of our Society in the Northwest Kansas Conference. We have not accomplished what we hoped during the year, yet we have not fallen behind any, but rather increased some in membership. Our Annual Meeting, held at Beloit in connection with our Conference Anniversary meeting, was well attended, and every one present expressed a desire for more zeal and work during the coming year. At our Conference Anniversary, Mrs. James Dale, Supply Secretary, presented the work to a large audience, and won the hearts of all our people with her kindly words of sympathy and love. We are looking forward to a better year, and hope to have a better report.

MRS. W. M. NASH, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

OHIO CONFERENCE.

THE Ohio Conference began the year with new officers, who undertook the work with considerable enthusiasm. Our first efforts were towards new organizations, and to strengthen those already in our hands.

The Corresponding Secretary was entirely new in the work, but found the clerical duties child's play, compared with the appalling fact that it was her duty to help organize and hold public meetings, and speak if necessary.

Nevertheless, while there has been a loss of seventy-one in membership, and four of the weakest Auxiliaries have felt unable to continue, our Conference shows a gain over the preceding year of money raised, and in the value of supplies. The Emergency Fund has been generously responded to.

We have two unique organizations. The members of King Avenue Sabbath-school, at Columbus, O., for two years have supported a boy, Frank Davis, at our Mothers' Jewels Home.

At Chillicothe, O., there is a society of young boys, called the Missionary Chips, and for several years they have been supporting Joseph Tarr Green at the Mothers' Jewels Home. They call him our "Tarr" baby, for it was some time before they learned his full name.

Correspondence is carried on by these boys, and is a source of inspiration to all.

We are very proud of Miss Abby Putnam, the daughter of our former Conference Secretary of Supplies, who has been accepted as a missionary, and who goes to her work at Bennett Home, Clarkson, Miss., the 1st of November. Last June she finished a six years' course at our State University, and we feel she is unusually well qualified in every way for her duties.

Our Conference meeting was held in September, and we feel quite strong in our new officers, Mrs. D. S. Kellicott, of Columbus, as President, and Mrs. J. W. Bashford, of Delaware, as Vice-President.

We have entered upon this year's work with renewed zeal and strength, and hope to gain much for the Woman's Home Missionary Society during the year.

MRS. F. A. SELLS,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE.

THE Oklahoma Conference collection was $52; dues of Conference Auxiliaries, $33; subscribers to *Woman's Home Missions*, 45. Our Conference Treasurer sent the General Treasurer $85.

MRS. J. A. FERGUSON, *Corresponding Secretary.*

OREGON CONFERENCE.

THIS has been a trying year for the Woman's Home Missionary Society of Oregon Conference. But we are not discouraged. Serious illness and even death has come to the homes of the general officers, which has greatly crippled our work; but there has never been a time when the future of our work was so promising. During the year we have not added a long list of new members, nor raised a large sum of money, but the few faithful women have done the little things that have dissemi-

nated missionary intelligence and strengthened our borders. Three new Auxiliaries have been organized, and several dead ones revived. Four districts have been organized and well officered. Thanks be unto God, which giveth us the victory.

S. H. SPANGLER, *Corresponding Secretary.*

PHILADELPHIA CONFERENCE.

AFTER returning from the Annual Meeting of our Conference in 1896, we came to our homes, resolved to do better work for the Master the coming year than ever. The year has passed into eternity, and on October 12, 1897, we met at Siloam Methodist Episcopal Church, Philadelphia, bringing our sheaves with us, laying them at the Master's feet.

We were represented by our delegates at the National Convention, held at Springfield, Ill., who returned bringing glowing accounts of the meeting. At this Convention several pledges were made for the work, which we have been enabled to meet. We think our Conference Society has done nobly for the special fund for debt. Our Deaconess Home, located at 611 Vine Street, is every year exerting an influence for good. The family, consisting of six deaconesses and two probationers, are presided over by our faithful Superintendent, Mrs. E. Turney. When we realize that within the year 11,105 visits have been made, including visits to jails and hospitals, conducting Industrial Schools, and the distribution of 8,442 papers, tracts, Bibles, and Testaments, our hearts swell with gratitude that we have the deaconess in our midst. The lunch-room in connection with the Deaconess Home, on whose efficiency we felicitate ourselves, is a pronounced success. During the year 24,570 lunches have been served each working-day, between the hours of twelve o'clock and two, for young women who are employed in stores and factories in the neighborhood. The door of the Immigrant Home has been open to shelter those coming from foreign lands who were friendless. One hundred and eight persons have been accommodated, 71 women and 37 children; 1,418 meals have been served; 80 steamers have been met by our deaconesses. The adjoining property to the Deaconess Home, which is ours, the gift of Colonel Bennett, is soon to be fitted up for home missionary work.

Our meeting held during the Week of Prayer was profitable and inspiring. We felt that the Master was with us. Our Conference Anniversary was held at Bethlehem, the seat of Conference. Reports of our work were read, and the principal addresses were made by Mrs. Mary Fisk Park and Mrs. E. Turney. We have adopted the plan of holding an all-day meeting each quarter, devoting part of the time to a prayer and Conference meeting. They are exceedingly interesting. During the summer our work was presented at three camp-meetings. Our Conference was represented at the Deaconess Convention held at Ocean Grove.

Our reports have been sent quarterly to the National Corresponding Scretary. We have also held a district meeting on each district, under the superintendency of the District Secretaries. Our Young Peoples' Societies are increasing, both in numbers and interest, under the guidance of our Superintendent. "It is the unexpected that happens." We are compelled to lose the active co-operation of several of our most efficient workers. We hope, in the future, soon to welcome them back. This year we expect to assume new responsibilities. This brief and imperfect outlining of the work of the year in the Philadelphia Conference fills our hearts with gratitude to God for his continued blessing upon our labors, and inspires us to redoubled efforts to enter every open door, and carry

forward to greater results the mission that his providence has laid upon us.

The report of our Treasurer shows that the receipts of the year were $5,943.53, which, with the balance in hand at the beginning of the year, gave $6,199.89. The report of the Superintendent of Supplies shows that most excellent work has been done.

MRS. M. B. STEVENS, *Conference Secretary.*

PITTSBURG CONFERENCE.

THE growth of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Pittsburg Conference since its organization, thirteen years ago, has been steady, though not phenomenally rapid. The year just closed has been in almost every respect the best in its history. During the year there has been paid, in addition to membership dues, contributions to special causes, deaconess support, Coke, work, etc., five hundred dollars to the Emergency Fund of the General Society, and nine hundred dollars on the property occupied as a Deaconess Home. In the Coke work we have employed two women for the summer, who go from house to house holding Mothers' Meetings, Children's Band Meetings, and Catechism Classes, as well as Industrial Schools, and are producing wonderful results and marked improvements among the families of the miners. The Society's latest work is known as "Traveler's Aid," the placing of a deaconess at Union Station to meet, advise, and protect friendless women and girls coming to our city, who in their ignorance might become an easy prey to the designing and wicked.

Very large quantities of supplies have been sent to the families of needy ministers on the frontiers, both South and West. Altogether, notwithstanding the general depression in financial matters and the consequent falling off of receipts in all lines of benevolences, our Society has more than held her own.

M. J. SCHOYER,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

PUGET SOUND CONFERENCE.

IN many ways this has been the best year in Home Missionary work in Puget Sound Conference. Our Auxiliaries, though less in number than they were last year, are more active and more fully established in the work. This has been a year of many and hard struggles, but through the wise and able management of our President, Mrs. E. C. Sulliger, much heroic work has been done.

We have pledged the support of one beneficiary in Stickney Home, and ten dollars for the Jesse Lee Home in Unalaska. The Home Mission paper has quite a large circulation in our Conference.

We are not at all discouraged in the work, but mean to press on, "For the love of Christ, and in His Name."

VINA IRENE CLARK, *Corresponding Secretary.*

ROCK RIVER CONFERENCE.

WE gather up the fragments of our past year's history with renewed courage for the future.

1. There are signs that our work is strengthening its hold on the community; tokens in the secular world as well as the religious. Both

prophets and people begin to see, with a nearer and clearer vision, the peril of the hour, and the promise of our purpose.

2. Our district and camp meetings have been held with stimulating results, and inspiring addresses from our own women.

3. The presence and address of Mrs. Fisk, our National President, at our Conference Anniversary, met the response of a crowded house and an appreciative audience.

4. An increasing interest is apparent in the thank-offering service.

5. A few new Auxiliaries have been formed, and others encouraged and revived.

6. Our own special work, than which "no more needy missionary field in the world" exists, demands a large share of our attention; but by no means limits our benefactions. The far West, Alaska, and the South have a hold upon the hearts of the people. Atlanta always receives the support of one or more beneficiaries. Little Rock is endeared by sacred memories. The appeal for the Emergency Fund also met with a ready response from many.

E. E. MARCY,
Corresponding Secretary.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE.

THE long-extended financial depression has more seriously affected the salaries of ministers upon poorer charges this year than any of the recent preceding years. Our Society has therefore listened to more touching appeals from within our own Conference than ever before, and never have pastors seemed more grateful for the aid furnished, whether in money or supplies. About thirty-five ministers out of one hundred and forty in the Conference have been recipients from our "Frontier" fund.

We have not only in this work performed a noble act of love to needy ministers and their families, but we have laid the foundation in many rural charges for the Woman's Home Missionary Society, which shall be perpetuated as long as the world needs the gospel. Some charges in this Conference have become self-supporting after five years of assistance, and are already paying back far more than they have received, while there are other appointments of only ten (10) years' growth that have paid this year in one collection for the Woman's Home Missionary Society more than the total of all their receipts in their struggling period.

Our Society is truly preparing the way for mighty missionary movements in the future, not only in America, but throughout the world.

California lies next door to Asia and Japan, and will become a mighty factor in reaching their vast populations.

There are towns in Southern California of five thousand population that had no place on the map fifteen (15) years ago. While Los Angeles City has increased from ten thousand in 1880, to one hundred and four thousand in 1897. It is therefore impossible to realize the vast work our Society is accomplishing in helping struggling Societies into existence where a rich and vast empire will hold sway in another quarter of a century.

The Deaconess Home, which was opened just before our last Annual Meeting, has proved the most popular department of our Conference work. Auxiliaries, Queen Esther Circles, and Juvenile Bands have vied with each other in furnishing the rooms, and in supplying the daily needs of the devoted band of workers who live there. God bless our deaconesses! Their coming has brought blessing, peace, and happiness to all with whom they come in contact. The financial statement of the Treasurer of the Deaconess Local Board has been assuring. We have never been

obliged to call upon the public for money to carry on this work. The half dues of members in the city where the Home is located have proved sufficient to supply all the demands of the Home, together with a few private donations and the allowances furnished by the Churches employing deaconesses. Surely our faith has been honored in the grand success of the deaconess movement.

We have now five deaconesses employed; four in Los Angeles, and one in San Diego. Seven young women have entered the Training-school at San Francisco this year from the Southern California Conference. Five have secured scholarships from donors in San Francisco.

The Chinese work has been prosperous. We have employed two workers in Los Angeles, and two in San Diego, who have faithfully toiled among the large Chinese populations in those cities.

Mrs. T. F. Davis, who is our most efficient missionary because of her ability to speak and teach in the Cantonese dialect, resumes her work in Los Angeles, and will extend it to the utmost limit of funds appropriated, employing both American and Chinese helpers.

The districts are all organized and well officered.

District meetings have been held at Santa Barbara, Riverside, Whittier, San Diego, Pomona, and Los Angeles.

The Annual Meeting convened July 19th at Long Beach. Public meetings were held in connection with camp-meetings at Long Beach, Hueneme, and Arroyo Grande.

The Conference Anniversary occupied Wednesday evening, September 29th. The speakers were Miss Winifred Spaulding, Superintendent of Deaconess Home, and Dr. Beard, Dean of the Training-school in San Francisco. The Conference Corresponding Secretary was present at all these meetings save one.

While thousands of our people have been migrating to the Klondike gold-fields of Alaska, and the eyes of the world have been centering there, our Society long ago discovered more precious treasures in the souls of her native tribes, and this year one of our elect ladies, as usual, sends the support for one girl in the Mission at Unalaska.

The Mite-box Secretary has sent out 142 mite-barrels, and has ordered a thousand boxes made for use the coming year.

The outlook is bright for the most successful year in our history in Southern California.

It gives me pleasure to make honorable mention of the ministers of the Southern California Conference, who have so nobly sustained the cause of our Society, giving us a "Conference Sunday," and opening their pulpits to our speakers.

MRS. E. W. CASWELL,
Corresponding Secretary.

ST. LOUIS CONFERENCE.

OUR report for the Woman's Home Missionary Society for the St. Louis Conference is not what we would like it to be, on account of lack of money and various other reasons. And yet we do not think that it has been a "lost year," or void of good in the great cause. Perhaps our most liberal offerings have been in the line of "helping our own," and although not much organized effort has been made, busy hands and faithful hearts all over our Conference territory have carried material aid and abundant gifts to very many homes. At our next Annual Conference, if nothing prevents, we expect to elect new officers, and infuse new inspiration; in short, take a new start. For the work,

ALLIE TOLAND CRISS, *Corresponding Secretary.*

SOUTH KANSAS CONFERENCE.

THE Woman's Home Missionary Society of the South Kansas Conference is not growing rapidly. It seems that the last few years have been unfavorable for much aggressive Christian work; an indifference seems to pervade our people in many places, and an unwillingness to take up any extra work. It seems almost impossible to get our districts organized, so that we can hold District Conventions. And so far we have been holding our Annual Meeting in connection, or rather during the time of our Conference in March, and we realize the difficulty of working it up at that time as it should be.

Our Anniversary last March at Pittsburg was one of the best we have ever had. Mrs. Dale, of Cincinnati, was with us, and every one seemed to be interested in every word she said. Mrs. Bishop McCabe was also present, and gave words of encouragement. Our old Auxiliaries are all at work, and many places have sent supplies to frontier preachers where there is no Society, and some of our Epworth Leagues are doing that kind of work.

May the Lord greatly bless the Woman's Home Missionary Society in its Christlike work, is the prayer of the South Kansas Conference Woman's Home Missionary Society; and a few of us at least join hands and hearts in this work. MRS. OLIVE H. RHOADES, *Secretary.*

SOUTHWEST KANSAS CONFERENCE.

THE Annual Meeting of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of this Conference was held June 31, 1897. A larger number of delegates were present than at any previous meeting. We had a very interesting and profitable session; to God be all the glory for the success that has crowned our efforts! The year has been mostly devoted to seed-sowing, and the results have not yet been all garnered.

We believe the seed has fallen into good ground, and will bring forth an abundant harvest of good workers for the Master's vineyard.

The Society has grown in favor with both preachers and people, and the outlook is more encouraging than at any time in the past. We doubled the number of Auxiliaries during the year, though a few have accomplished but little. "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge," is as true to-day as when spoken by Hosea centuries ago. We have tried to supply this lack by a liberal distribution of Home Missionary literature. We have sent out one hundred thousand pages during the year.

Our Conference Society has pledged to raise $200, for the salary of a teacher at Bennett Home, at Clarkson, Miss., and some besides to push the work in our own Conference. There have been several five dollars sent for the Emergency Fund, and several more will be sent during the year.

Our watchword for the new year is, "One new member and subscriber for every old one." We are hoping and praying that each member will keep this and the noon prayer in mind every day.

MRS. W. J. MARTINDALE, *Corresponding Secretary.*

TROY CONFERENCE.

THE work in Troy Conference has made some advancement the past year. Our district officers are loyal workers, ever ready to "lend a hand" to carry the work forward to greater success. The district meetings have

been well attended, except one when the rain fell in torrents all day; yet a few faithful women braved the storm, and the meeting was not a complete failure. Mrs. Woodruff was with us at two meetings, greatly to the delight of every one present.: She allowed us to ply her with questions, and much valuable information was gained. The Plattsburg District has new and efficient officers, and a meeting is to be held next month, the first in three or four years.

Our missionaries, Misses Mary and Marguritte Tripp, and Miss E. A. Philo, and Miss Ganiere, a deaconess from the Washington Training-school, made our Round Lake Anniversary unusually interesting. Miss Ganiere spent two months in deaconess work for the Fifth Avenue Church, Troy, N. Y., doing very satisfactory work. Quite a large number have contributed to the Emergency Fund. The appeal from our General Treasurer has awakened greater interest in the General Fund, and shown us the importance of making greater effort to raise funds for the support of our missionaries.

The supply department has been well cared for under the able management of our Conference Secretary of Supplies, Mrs. A. D. Lyon, of Troy, N. Y. Many pulpit suits and infants' wardrobes have been sent to needy families in the West, and among the things sent to our missionaries was a new sewing-machine from the Rensselaer Auxiliary; also valuable bedding and clothing to Dulce, N. M., at the time of their greatest need.

Several new Auxiliaries have been organized; one Mission Band presided over by a "shut-in." All the meetings are held in her room.

UPPER IOWA CONFERENCE.

THROUGH the faithful efforts of the Auxiliaries, the pledges to Bennett Industrial Home, the National Training-school, the Bidwell Deaconess Home, Alaska, Utah, and Oriental Work, aggregating $1,010, were largely met; besides added to this the dues and supplies make the best year financially in the history of the Society.

Mrs. Gould, the Conference President, gave forty-five days of faithful work during the year attending Conventions and visiting Auxiliaries. As Conference manager for the training-school, she secured three young ladies as students, Miss Rosina West, Miss Rose Cloud, and Miss Sarah Wetherbee, each of whom made a fine record in her work. They were supported by the Conference.

The joint meeting of the four Conferences in the State was held in our Conference in May. At this meeting plans were laid for the support of the Bidwell Deaconess Home at Des Moines, each Conference assuming a stated amount. Upper Iowa pledged $200. Dr. Ames was present, and added much to the interest of the meeting.

Five of the six districts held Annual Meetings. They are officered by efficient women, who have the interest of the Society at heart.

Thirteen Auxiliaries raised twenty-five cents or more for every member of their respective Churches for the Society during the year. This amount is the ideal apportionment for the coming year. We hope to realize it.

As Christians, we are laboring to bring the whole wide world to Jesus. As members of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, we are working to shed the light of the gospel into every dark corner of our own land. As members of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of Upper Iowa Conference, our sympathies go out to the stranger within our gates.

The following statistics show the need of local work in our Conference:

STATISTICS OF BOHEMIANS IN CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA.

	East.	West.	Total.
Number of Bohemians in Cedar Rapids	4,000	3,000	7,000
Protestants	250	150	400
Churches	2	....	2
Catholic members	....	....	500
Presbyterian	....	....	200
Those who do not attend any Church	....	....	6,300
Full and probation members of Bohemian Methodist Episcopal Church	....	....	35
Number of Sunday-school children	....	90	....
Number of Junior Epworth Leagues	....	50	....

Rev. R. M. De Castello and his faithful wife are laboring among these people, the only Bohemian Methodist Episcopal Church in Iowa. Mrs. De Castello ought to be relieved from domestic work, in order to give her whole time to missionary work.

We are planning to provide means for her to hire help in the kitchen. She is a woman of culture and refinement, and her influence among her own people is greater than could be that of one unacquainted with their language.

MARGARET ALSPAUGH,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

UTAH MISSION.

VERY hopefully we began the work of the year, but have made no advancement in number of Auxiliaries; but there has been quite an increase in number of members. Considerable has been done in the way of local work, and we believe the Auxiliaries have in many ways accomplished more than they did last year. Lack of funds for travel greatly hinders our work, for we find it necessary to visit the different charges and talk of our work, as only a few seem to know anything of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, and what it is doing for Utah.

When we can have the hearty co-operation of every pastor, we hope to become thoroughly organized.

We observed our Anniversary at the Annual Meeting of the Mission, and our program was both interesting and instructive. One of our great needs is more women who are thoroughly acquainted and interested in this work, to help others in becoming more familiar with it. Not all we desired has been accomplished, but we are grateful for a small measure of success; and while we may have lost opportunities, we can only leave the results in God's hands.

MRS. ADDA M. SNOW,
Corresponding Secretary.

VERMONT CONFERENCE.

THE Annual Meeting was held in Northfield, November 12th and 13th. Our President, Mrs. A. H. Webb, was re-elected. She has done excellent service in presenting our work in Randolph, White River Junction, Windsor, Bradford, and has organized Auxiliaries in Springfield and Hardwick.

Mrs. O. D. Clapp, St. Albans, District Secretary, organized at North Fairfax and Georgia. There has also been one Band organized this year. Our very efficient Corresponding Secretary, not feeling able to do the work, declined a re-election.

There was displayed at the Annual Meeting a table-cover of heavy, unbleached cotton, wrought in outline stitch by a half-breed Aleut Indian girl. She has been only seven years in the Jesse Lee Home in Alaska. Her name is Pelageia Tutikoff. Our Society named her Eva Fuller, in memory of a deceased daughter of our aged Mite-box Secretary, who died early in this year. We received a letter from Eva in July. In points of subject-matter, rhetoric, penmanship, and spelling, it would compare favorably with those of many of our own girls of her age. She wrote that she expected to go with two other girls from that Home to the Government Indian School at Carlisle, Pa. It is hoped that she will return to teach her own people. We also provided for a girl named Hannah Thomas in Stickney Home.

Mrs. E. F. George, of Tivoli, N. Y., spoke at our Annual Meeting, and at Montpelier greatly interesting the people in her work, and some supplies have been sent to that Home.

Mrs. B. S. Potter gave a very satisfactory address at our Conference Anniversary at Barre in April.

Mrs. Webb presented our work at the Woman's Christian Temperance Union Camp-meeting at Lyndonville in August.

Mrs. Ida H. Read spoke in our behalf at Morrisville Camp-meeting, and Rev. L. P. Tucker at the Sheldon meeting, and Miss Emerson, of Boylan Home, spoke at Claremont Junction. Two young ladies have gone from our State to the Independent Deaconess Home, Boston.

District meetings have been held at Bellows Falls and Hardwick. A legacy of five hundred dollars was received for the General Treasury from the estate of Mr. Frederick Ely, of Brownsville, and one of fifty dollars from Mrs. Susan Spencer, of St. Johnsbury. A few Auxiliaries are reported inactive. We hope some of them may be revived during the coming year. With coming prosperity, we hope our work will be much advanced during the next year. We are trusting in God, and expect his blessing.

MRS. C. S. RICHMOND,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

VIRGINIA CONFERENCE.

THE Virginia Conference sends greetings. We have but little to report, as we are so young in the work. Our Conference Society was organized the 1st of last July, and thus far we have but three Auxiliaries in our bounds. Our membership is quite small, but we hope and are anxious to do good work for the Woman's Home Missionary Society. Some of our preachers know but little about the work, and hence are not much help to us. Others *do* know of the Society, and do all in their power to help in the organization of new Societies.

We pray that this new year may be a better one for us. "Not by might nor by power, but by my Spirit, saith the Lord."

IDA N. BALL, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

WEST NEBRASKA CONFERENCE.

THE success of our work during the year is to be judged, not so much by the number of new Auxiliaries organized, as in the faithful work done by those already at work.

Our Annual Meeting was held September 23d at Lexington, in the beautiful new church just completed. We were highly favored in being able to secure Bishop Ninde for an address. His kind words of interest in regard to our Jewels Home, and also of the work at large, will long be cherished by those present. Sister Spurlock was with us, and spoke in the interests of the Home, of the training received by the children, and made quite an impression when she said "that they *prepared* children for homes, while other organizations merely sought homes for the children."

Several Mite-box Societies were organized by Sister Collins. Where we can not organize Auxiliaries, we hope to do effective work through the mite-boxes.

Twenty subscriptions were taken for the *Woman's Home Missions*. Forty-six dollars was secured to furnish beds in the West Nebraska Conference dormitory at the Mothers' Jewels Home. We hope to do something during the year for the Emergency Fund.

We are under obligations to Mrs. Dale and others for supplies sent to our preachers.

There is a noticeable gain in interest for our work in this Conference. As a result, we hope to report larger results another year through the help of the One whom we serve, and whose we are.

MRS. E. SMITH, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

WE regret to say, during the past year the work has not been what we hoped at the beginning. Our eleventh Anniversary was celebrated December 5th, at Cuero, Texas. Over forty delegates were present.

The five districts are well organized, and each held a well-attended meeting during the summer months.

Five Auxiliaries and four "Mothers' Jewels" have been organized, and the older ones strengthened.

We have endeavored to secure a wider circulation for our *Woman's Home Missions* and the children's paper, which is the delight of the whole Conference. My Conference has suffered much this year from the cry of hard times, also sickness. Just now we are perplexed over our school. So many of our bright girls are lost to us, and attend other schools. These schools hold out such great inducements, and are being built right within our reach, while we have nothing to offer. Thus we are asked each passing day, "What are we to do?"

My people need more knowledge of the work; they have done exceedingly well, and are willing to do more.

This year's work is more thorough than ever before. The light is being gradually turned on, and more Christian women's hearts are being inspired from the rays that it sends forth.

E. S. SPRIGGS, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

WEST WISCONSIN CONFERENCE.

ANOTHER year is just passing out, freighted with results not quite equal to our hopes; but when we consider the stringency of the times, we ought not to feel discouraged, because figures alone do not show the whole progress of a good cause. We are doing our work quietly and steadily for God and humanity, hoping to reach results in the near future.

It is hoped that all who listened to the eloquent and earnest words which fell from the lips of our beloved leader and President, Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk, at our Annual Conference, will feel that there is a work for each and all to do in the home field. We hold our Conference Board meetings quarterly. We have held two district meetings, both interesting and profitable. Thank-offering services have been observed with most of the Auxiliaries. We have sent supplies out on the frontier valued at $312, including three new fur overcoats. Several hundred dollars worth of local work has been done.

Goodly numbers of mite-boxes, children's penny boxes, and leaflets have been distributed.

We hope for better results during the coming year in all departments of work.

MRS. M. BENSON,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

WILMINGTON CONFERENCE.

THE Woman's Home Missionary Society in the Wilmington Conference still continues its hold upon the hearts of the people.

The past year has been marked by increased interest in many ways, but notably by the increased attendance upon all meetings, whether of the Conference, District, or Auxiliary.

The Annual Meeting, held in Scott Church, was one of the best we have had. Miss Mathews was present, and gave an excellent address on her work among the immigrants.

Bishop Walden, Dr. Leonard, and Rev. Vaughan S. Collins gave able addresses at the Conference Anniversary.

Miss Corbin, of the Philadelphia Deaconess Home, delighted and interested the people at Brandywine Summit Camp-meeting, as she told of her work among the poor and distressed to be found in every large city.

As the years go by we become better acquainted with the work, and can more readily bring to pass desired results. We have now for each department a Conference Secretary, who looks carefully after the details of her special work.

The Supply Secretary has been untiring in her efforts to secure clothing for those in need. Into eight States and two Territories have been sent valuable boxes and barrels, as well as to our Immigrant Homes.

The Mite-box Secretary keeps her silent but effective reminders of the needs of others before the people, the result being increased receipts from this source.

Miss Grace Quigg has recently been placed in charge of the work among the young people, in place of Mrs. J. P. Doughten, whose resignation was accepted with many regrets. The most discouraging part of work among young people, is to find efficient persons willing to take charge of Bands and Circles. The children are eager and anxious to work, but must have supervision and instruction.

Our Conference President, Mrs. N. M. Browne, has organized Auxiliaries in important charges, and a Circle of young women in Grace Church recently formed bids fair to be a power for good in the community.

The departments of Home Missions, Reading Circles, Leaflets, and the Mothers' Jewels have been given careful attention by those who have these matters in charge.

The children's paper was received with marked favor, and we are trying to increase its circulation.

Our Society was well represented at the Convention at Ocean Grove by Mrs. Challenger, of New Castle.

Mrs. Washington Hastings represents the interests of the Training-school in Washington for the Conference.

Beneficiaries have been supported in the Jesse Lee Home, help given to the Chinese girls, the Mothers' Jewels Home, the Italian Work in New Orleans, beside contributions to the Emergency Fund and Rest Home, Ocean Grove.

A legacy of $500, left to Asbury Auxiliary by Mr. John Wise, was paid into the treasury in July.

Deaconess work so auspicously begun two years ago, and continued until last March, was brought to a close by the unexpected departure of our deaconess for other fields of labor. The time between the resignation and departure of the deaconess being so short, we scarce know what was best to do under the circumstances; finally, at a meeting of the Deaconess Board, it was decided to close the Home for the time being; not, however, with the idea of abandoing deaconess work in Wilmington.

EMMA L. WELDEN, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

WISCONSIN CONFERENCE.

I WISH I could give you a full report of all that has been done in our Conference for Woman's Home Missions the past year. But I can not. We believe the interest has deepened, and we are in better working order, as we become more familiar with the details of the work. There are five districts in our Conference. Appleton District has but one Auxiliary. This is in the city of Appleton. It has forty members. This Society has paid this year $40 for membership dues, $10 towards the $20,000 Fund, and raised $100 for the benefit of the poor Churches on this district. Appleton also reports a Mission Band of thirty members.

Good reports have come from Fond du Lac District. Cotton Street Church Auxiliary and Epworth League, of Fond du Lac, have during the year raised $5 toward the $20,000 Fund, and send a barrel of supplies valued at $50, besides membership dues. Oshkosh District has two Auxiliaries. Both of these are in the city of Oshkosh. Good reports come from each. They are doing local work, besides sending dues.

Milwaukee District has several Societies. The largest Auxiliary on this district is the one in Washington Avenue Church. It has twenty-six members. The Auxiliary of Trinity Church is also flourishing.

Janesville District reports no Auxiliaries, but some members who send their dues each year, and several Epworth Leagues who help us.

We were permitted to present our work at two camp-meetings during the year. At Doty Island camp Miss Minnie Perkins, of Fond du Lac, gave a very interesting account of her visit to Chinatown, San Francisco, Cal.

Conference Anniversary was well attended. Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk,

our beloved President, gave the address, which was full of Home Missionary intelligence.

We secure subscribers for *Woman's Home Missions* whenever possible, and believe as our people become informed they will become interested in our Woman's Home Missionary work.

R. W. BATES,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

WYOMING CONFERENCE.

THE Annual Conference Meeting of our Society, held at First Church, Wilkesbarre, was a day not soon to be forgotten. The reports and addresses gave much inspiration to all.

At the Wyoming Conference session, held at Oneonta, stirring addresses were made.

A new Auxiliary has been organized in this district.

Mrs. Kent gave a delightful talk at a district meeting held in Binghamton. The membership of the Auxiliaries in Binghamton District has been largely increased.

Honesdale District is putting on new life.

At a district meeting held in one of the small towns a few days ago, a traveling salesman (a stranger) at the close of the meeting put five dollars in the collection. Two new Auxiliaries have been organized in this district.

The district meetings throughout the Conference have been unusually interesting, and well attended.

Although the year has been marked by continued financial depression, Wyoming District has never manifested greater interest in Home Missionary work. Two new Auxiliaries have been formed.

Many barrels and boxes of excellent clothing have been sent, in answer to appeals, and as many families made comfortable for the coming winter.

Mrs. P. L. Bennett, whose heart is ever touched, and whose hand is always open to relieve the needs of the poor and distressed, sent a box valued at $50, to Clarkson: $200 to Mrs. Richards, of Woodlawn Seminary; and $125 to the "Boys' Dormitory."

A few of the Auxiliaries have increased their subscriptions to *Home Missions.*

Wyoming Conference, a part of which lies in the beautiful, historic valley whose name it bears, has suffered much from the stringency of the times; and it has meant work for all to keep things moving. But it is recuperating rapidly, and we hope, before many months, to be able to report wonderful work accomplished through her for Home Missions.

May the new year, upon which we now enter, be fraught with even richer fruitage and blessing than ever before!

MRS. GEORGE B. KULP, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

OF THE EDITOR OF "WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONS."

"KNOWLEDGE is power," but one who is eminent records that "Ignorance also is power," since it so often negatives what knowledge might do.

Our missionary literature is our source of power. To suppress, neglect, or ignore its periodicals, leaflets, reports, books, is to prove that ignorance is power.

The success of the Society may be measured by the success of its literature. Universally read, organizations and active work would be correspondingly universal. Hearts would be stirred, wills moved, intelligence and sympathies broadened. All this is said preparatory to expressing just what we would like the *Woman's Home Missions* to do for the knowledge, which will give power to this Society, and destroy the ignorance which, like an incubus on the people, prevents its success.

Woman's Home Missions is the organ of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. It is designed to be a medium of communication between all workers in the Society. If some one has something to say for the Society's interest, if there is some new thing to tell to give impulse and inspiration, if a Conference Secretary has discovered a successful method, all should know what it is, and how it works. We wish we might each month have a Conference Secretaries' page, bristling with brief items of news, and good, strong, earnest suggestions. Is there not too great ignorance of each other's management?

If the plans and management were circulated, would there not be more plans and management to circulate?

Would not a Conference Secretary's page send a steady life-current through the great sisterhood of Conference Secretaries, and give power to the *esprit de corps* of that sisterhood. From the editor's watch-tower it seems that such a page would be more successful in promoting information than the now somewhat stereotyped reports of Conference meetings.

Then the Auxiliaries need at least a page as a platform on which to speak to each other. How useful Presidents of Auxiliaries might be, could they speak directly to each other! For instance, a discouraged President writes to the Auxiliary page, inquiring how she can increase her membership. The next paper gives an answer full of warmth and sympathy from a President who knows all about it; and can do it, has done it. Another writes, "How can I utilize the Concert Lesson?" The answer comes, "You can fill up your ranks by the use you make of the Concert Lesson. Set every woman to work on it. I ask women to write those essays who have never done such things before. They are delighted, and are ever after faithful members."

Our young people, whom the interests of the Society demand should be cherished, and for whom we should especially discriminate, need at least one page, better two, for they need attractive and pointed stories and much suggestion.

The editor personally feels the lack of information from our missions. How serious, then, must be the loss to our Society! Every

number of the paper should be so managed that a stranger could get some correct idea of our fields of work.

Are four pages too much for all fields? How thoroughly now the Society is informed regarding our Deaconess Department, which has been so fully and delightfully reported the last year, even though the editor, in the interests of the whole Society, has been so often obliged to use a part of the space assigned to this department!

But as the deaconess work is an integral part of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, bone of its bone and flesh of its flesh, it has gracefully yielded to the general good, and it has prospered.

Space ought to be given for miscellaneous matter, vital to the interests of the Society in its methods of work, such as the Reading Circle, the Tithing System, the Mite-box, Thank-offering, Day of Prayer; to all of which now space is seldom given.

No doubt there will be an honest difference of opinion. The paper is not mine; it is yours. But it seems to your editor that it should be managed, even though small, to represent all the interests and all the fields of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. The editor hears many vocies, saying, "Let the paper be of the Society, for the Society, and certainly by the Society."

MRS. H. C. MCCABE, *Editor.*

OF THE EDITOR OF "CHILDREN'S HOME MISSIONS."

THE Society which does not take a long look ahead in planning its work, makes a serious mistake. That we have begun none too soon to train our successors must be apparent to all. It is equally apparent that in these days any new enterprise must, if successful, have strong and willing hands and hearts behind it. In these early days of the little paper many interested promoters are needed, and we appeal not only to Conference and District Secretaries, but to all lovers of our cause, to help establish *Children's Home Missions* on a firm foundation, and that without delay, for these and other reasons:

1. *Children's Home Missions* aims to interest, instruct, inspire, educate, and train for service all along our lines.

2. It is actually gathering the children, and teaching them to love God, and native land, and the poor, who "are always with us."

3. It is entering homes in which there is little or no missionary life and light, and through the children mothers are learning of our work.

The little paper may be made far more attractive and helpful than it now is. How? By the hearty, cordial co-operation of the workers in our Society. Let the editor urge you to acquaint yourself with it, to see what it is doing, what it might do, and why it is not doing all it might do. Then, if convinced that it is, or may be made a valuable Auxiliary to our cause, work for it!

MARTHA VAN MARTER, *Editor.*

OF THE PUBLISHER OF "WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONS."

THE following statements show the receipts and expenditures for the fiscal year, closing with the month of July, 1897:

RECEIPTS:		
Balance from last year	$282 17	
From subscriptions	4,056 56	
From advertisements	211 95	
		$4,550 68

EXPENDITURES:

To printing and preparing publication for mailing	$3,010 92	
To postage on papers	196 94	
To Mrs. H. C. McCabe, salary	300 00	
To Mrs. Ruth Worthington, salary	104 00	
To Mary Belle Evans, salary	500 00	
To sundries	85 36	
	$4,197 20	
Balance on hand	353 48	
		$4,550 68

During the fiscal year we have published nine issues of sixteen pages, and three of twenty pages. The general opinion is that a twenty-page publication is needed to present our work properly, but the expenses of a publication that size can not be met with the subscription price at twenty-five cents.

Our receipts from subscriptions are $8.34 less than for previous year; from advertisements an increase of $25.71. For several years our subscription-list has remained about the same. This important enterprise should not be at a standstill, so long as there is need of additional workers for Home Missions. Our most helpful members read *Woman's Home Missions*. The number of subscribers in any Auxiliary is usually a test of the strength of that Auxiliary. To keep our interest up to the praying and paying point, we must *know* about the work, its progress and needs. A question, then, worthy our careful consideration is, "How can we add to our subscription-list the names of thousands of our members who do not now read our paper? If, in the coming year, not one name was added to our Society, but a more intelligent interest created within our present membership, our usefulness would be greatly increased.

Our cause is a mighty one. We dare not move slowly. We must take every part of this land for Christ.

MARY BELLE EVANS, *Publisher*.

OF THE PUBLISHER OF "CHILDREN'S HOME MISSIONS."

I SUBMIT to you the second annual report of *Children's Home Missions:*

RECEIPTS:

Balance from last year	$237 60	
From subscriptions	742 03	
From guaranty fund	69 49	
		$1,049 12

EXPENDITURES:

To printing	$519 00	
To postage	28 13	
To Miss Van Marter, editor	100 00	
To M. B. Evans, publisher	150 00	
To electros	33 95	
To sundries	24 52	
	$855 60	
Balance on hand	193 52	
		$1,049 12

These statements show that the Woman's Home Missionary Society has placed in circulation during the fiscal year an illustrated publication well fitted to educate the youth of our Church for Home Mission work, at the cost of $855.60, the circulation averaging over seven thousand per month. Who can measure the result?

They also tell us that the subscription-list must be increased. The receipts from subscriptions being $113.57 less than the expenses. The balance from preceding year, together with amounts donated to guaranty fund, made it possible to meet all expenses, and have a balance to carry forward for next year.

The guaranty fund was started, you will remember, to inaugurate this new publication. We have not been asking for these donations this year. May I suggest that we urge each Auxiliary to give one dollar for ten copies of *Children's Home Missions*, to be distributed free each month in their respective Churches. This would be an expenditure sure to bring fruit to the Auxiliary in later years. With a multitude of publications on the market, we can not expect the circulation of this publication to increase, as it should, unless the Auxiliaries give it their hearty support. We see in youth the formative period of life. Here is a great power soon to lend its force for good, if properly directed. Is it not vitally important to influence it for missions?

If this simple plan to increase the circulation meets your approval, and later your support, the result must be pleasing to all.

MARY BELLE EVANS, *Publisher*.

OF "WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONS."

IT is recommended:

1. To increase the attractiveness, durability, and financial value of the paper by the addition of a tinted cover, on condition that the extra expense be met by advertisements, to be solicited by members of the Society who live in large cities.

COMMITTEE:

Mrs. Gallagher, Chairman.

Boston	Mrs. Ainsworth.
Chicago	Mrs. Falley.
Cincinnati	Mrs. Carey and Thompson.
Detroit	Mrs. Robinson.
New York	Mrs. Park.
Cleveland	Mrs. Arter.
Baltimore	Mrs. Neff.
Brooklyn	Mrs. Lantry.
San Francisco	Mrs. Rolla V. Watt.
Philadelphia	Mrs. Kynett.
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Syracuse	Mrs. Brownell.
Minneapolis	Mrs. Taylor.
Denver	Mrs. ———
Indianapolis	Mrs. Adams.
Pittsburg	Miss Emma Fowler.
Allegheny	M. Johnson.

2. To use attractive head-lines, more condensation of matter, careful paragraphing, less fine type, and cuts illustrative of our work.

3. That the paper consist of twenty pages, besides cover.

4. To reserve four pages for the Deaconess Department, with modification of title.

5. To continue the allotment of suitable space in each number for appeals by the Treasurer.

6. To reserve one column in each number for the Secretary of the Bureau for Young People's Work.

7. To publish a serial article, setting forth in attractive form a history of the Society in all its departments, a short chapter to appear in each number, accompanied by illustrative cuts.

8. To increase the price of the paper to thirty-five cents, provided that all present subscriptions be continued at the old rate to the end of their respective years. (This advance of ten cents, should our subscription-list remain at seventeen thousand, will increase our income by $1,700, and enable us to carry out the proposed improvements.)

9. That the subscriber be notified of the expiration of her subscription by a stamp in red ink, and notice to the paper agent of the Auxiliary, the subscription to be continued for a reasonable time after the date of its expiration.

10. That free copies of the *Woman's Home Missions* be sent to every Home and School under our care, and as an exchange to all our Church papers. Respectfully submitted.

MRS. CHARLES W. GALLAGHER, *Chairman.*
MRS. T. J. EVERETT, *Secretary.*
For the Committee.

OF LEAFLETS.

THE Leaflet Committee recommend:

1. That each Auxiliary throughout the Society contribute twenty-five cents annually to the Leaflet Fund, such contribution to be paid through the Auxiliary Treasurer to the general treasury of the Society.

2. That persons ordering leaflets, send postage for the same.

3. That all Conference, district, and local Societies appoint a Secretary of Literature, whose duty it shall be to secure a widespread distribution of our leaflets in their respective fields.

4. That Secretaries of Bureaus furnish matter for leaflets concerning their special work.

5. That no leaflet be published over the imprint of the Woman's Home Missionary Society which has not been received and accepted by the Leaflet Editor.

For the year ending July 15, 1897:

Leaflets	96,453
Pages	436,671
Pamphlets	780
Quadrennial Reports	202
Thank-offering services	20,000
Thank-offering envelopes	24,818
Programs for Day of Humiliation and Prayer	2,874
Map of Alaska	110
Parliamentary Practice	49
Growing in Grace cards	144
Mothers' Jewels cards	2,540
Jewel boxes	1,095

PUBLISHED:

Leaflets	151,000
Thank-offering	20,000
Mothers' Jewels cards	10,000
Received for postage and express	$92 83
Balance from last year	3 39
	$96 22
(For transportation on leaflets.)	
Expended	100 84
Deficit	$4 62

MARTHA VAN MARTER, *Chairman.*

OF MISSIONARY CANDIDATES.

NINE candidates have been passed upon by the Committee, and have been accepted by the Board. Five of these have received appointments, and two more are under consideration by Bureau Secretaries. The qualifications of these candidates have seemed to be of an unusually high order, and some of them are students from our Training-school at Washington. Others have received excellent training elsewhere—two in Folts Institute. The demands of the work require more and more that our missionaries be well trained, and it is hoped that very soon greater facilities may be furnished by an enlarged capacity of our National Training-school at Washington.

ANNA F. HERRON, *Chairman.*

OF TRANSPORTATION.

THE New England, Trunk Line, and Central Traffic Associations have granted reduction of fares on the Certificate plan.

The reduction is one fare and a third on Committee's Certificate, conditioned on there being an attendance at the Convention of not less than one hundred persons who hold proper certificates, obtained from ticket agents at starting point, showing payment of full first-class fare, of not less than seventy-five cents, through to place of meeting. The certificate must be deposited with the Railroad Secretary for the necessary indorsement and *visé* of the Special Agent.

"Saturday, October 23, 1897, has been set for the time for *all* certificates to be *viséd.* No certificate will be valid unless properly signed. Special Agent is paid $11 for the one day, and if by failure to present certificates before his departure, no reduced rates can be obtained."

MRS. W. M. AMPT, *Railroad Secretary.*

OF RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved, 1. That we acknowledge with gratitude and deep humility the care of our Heavenly Father, in sparing the lives and continuing the efficient labors of our greatly-beloved general officers, our missionaries, deaconesses, and workers.

Resolved, 2. That we pledge ourselves anew to their support, to the

enlarging of our borders, and to the securing of the interest of the women of Methodism in this work of God.

Resolved, 3. That we deprecate the increasing desecration of God's holy day, and as a body pledge ourselves to support the strictest Sunday-observance laws.

Resolved, 4. That our efforts tend toward increasing the interest of the women of our land in our official organs, the *Woman's Home Missions* in its new attire, the *Children's Home Missions*, our leaflets, and literature; that we increase the subscription list of our papers, distribute leaflets, and give more attention to the organization of Reading Circles.

Resolved, 5. That as God has revealed to us in his Holy Book the benefits he will bestow upon his people who bring their tithes into his storehouse, we earnestly urge our Auxiliaries, Circles, and Bands to adopt the tithing system of giving, believing that by so doing our Society can send out more missionaries to do the will of the Master, and its individual members receive richer blessings.

Resolved, 6. That we extend our sincere thanks to the trustees and members of the Fayette Street Methodist Episcopal Church for the use of their historic church; to the pastor for his unfailing courtesy; to the women of the Church, who have been untiring in their attention to our every want; to the young ladies, who have assisted so kindly; to the Decorating Committee, who so beautifully arranged the flags and plants; to the organist and singers; to Mrs. Woodruff, whose sweet songs have been an inspiration to the Convention; to the ladies of the several Churches, who so bountifully attended to our temporal wants; to the sexton, for his faithful service; to the friends who planned for our visit to the Woman's College; and to the citizens of Baltimore, who have so hospitably welcomed us to their homes.

Resolved, 7. That the visitors (the sisters who wear the purple) return sincere thanks for their entertainment to the Lunch Committee, who have been so abundant in their labors. May they reap here and hereafter!

Resolved, 8. That the members of our Auxiliaries more generally accept the offer of the Howell Manufacturing Company, of Cincinnati, thereby adding to their offerings an amount sufficient to enable our Society to enlarge its work.

Resolved, 9. That we acknowledge our thanks to the press of this city, and to their representatives, who have so correctly reported us to the public; also that these resolutions be given to the Baltimore papers for insertion.

MRS. J. W. CAMPBELL.
MISS MARY L. GILBERT.
MRS. J. A. LANTRY.

BEQUEST AND DEVISE.

MARIA STETSON ESTATE, Kingston, Mass.—This matter has been closed up. The Treasurer received the full amount of the bequest, $725, last December.

AVELINE MATTISON ESTATE, Cazenovia, N. Y.—This estate is not yet settled. It is doubtful whether the $1,000 left us by this will can be realized in full, on account of insufficient assets.

SARAH J. KNOX ESTATE, Manson, Iowa.—Of this bequest, amounting to $300, the Treasurer has only received $135. It is expected that the full sum will be realized.

MARTHA JOHNSTON ESTATE, Bucyrus, O.—This estate was in litiga-

tion a long time, and a less sum was therefore realized than was first expected. In December last our Treasurer received from the administrator the sum of $358, which is all that will be realized.

LUCY A. WILLIAMS ESTATE, Pittsfield, Ill.—At the date of our last report, the contest over this will was pending on appeal in the Appellate Court of Illinois, not Supreme Court, as erroneously stated in last Report. Although the trial court decided in our favor, the Appellate Court reversed that decision. We then took the case to the Supreme Court on error. But in the meantime we renewed our efforts to have the case submitted to arbitration, in order to terminate the expensive litigation between this Society and the Parent Society, which also claims the legacy of $1,500. It is supposed that this dispute will soon be ended by the decision of arbitrators.

JANE CARTLICH ESTATE, Somerset, O.—Five hundred dollars, the full amount of this bequest, less $15 an inheritance tax, was paid into the treasury last March; but in order to get the money then, we had to give bond to the executor, which bond was signed by our attorney, and also by our friend, Rev. Dr. Rust.

MARY LOCKHART ESTATE, Mauch Chunk, Pa.—The bequest in this will is $2,000; but before we can receive the money certain securities have to be sold by the executors. Our latest information was to the effect that they could not now dispose of these securities at such a price as to pay all legacies in full, and it was thought better results would be obtained by still further delay in the settlement.

SUSAN J. SPENCER ESTATE, Barton, Vt.—The $50 given us by this will was paid to the Treasurer in February last.

SARAH A. LANKFORD BALMER ESTATE, New York City.—By this will we are to receive one-sixth of the residuary estate. Our latest information is to the effect that the residuary estate amounts to probably $80,000. But this consists mainly of Western mortgages, and the collection of these securities will be slow. The executors desire the Societies to take these securities, and make the collections themselves, so that the executors may file a final account and settlement of the estate. Our attorney has the matter in charge, and the settlement will shortly be arranged.

From a bequest at Brimfield Appointment of Mandora Charge, in the Akron District of the East Ohio Conference, we received the sum of $50 December 17, 1896, per Rev. L. C. Hallock, pastor in charge; but we have not been able to learn the name of the donor.

SARAH M. MURRAY ESTATE, Jacksonville, Ill.—By the 23d item of this will the testatrix gave one-fourth of her residuary estate to our Society, "to be used in Home Missionary Work in Illinois;" but nothing can be realized for us, because there is no residuum in the estate.

EXPERIENCE GARDINER ESTATE, South Coventry, Conn.—By the 5th item of this will, probated September 12, 1896, we are given the sum of $250; but the amount has not yet been collected.

DAVID COLE ESTATE, Jacksonville, Ill.—The will in this case creates a fund to be derived from sale of household goods, which fund is to be perpetually invested, and one-seventh of the interest paid annually to the "Home Missionary Society of Methodist Episcopal Church." The interest which the "Home Missionary Society" ought to receive would probably be the interest on about $6.

AURILLA A. BURNS ESTATE, Detroit, Mich.—By this will we are given the sum of $2,000.

MARIA P. WEBSTER ESTATE, Leominster, Mass.—By this will, probated January 25, 1895, but not heretofore reported, we think, our Society is given the sum of $500. The full amount thereof was paid to the Treasurer in January last.

ROSINA C. SMITHERS ESTATE, Gallipolis, O.—By the will of Mrs. Smithers, which was probated last January, we are given the sum of $800.

FREDERICK A. ELY ESTATE, Brownsville, Vt.—By the will in this case, our Society is to receive the sum of $500.

ELLEN E. ALLEN ESTATE, Stockton, N. Y.—This will gives to the testator's sister the income for life arising from the proceeds of sale of testator's lot in Stockton; after her death the said proceeds to be paid "to the Home Missionary of the Methodist Episcopal Church."

ELISHA SAVAGE ESTATE, Berea, O.—The 9th item of the will reads as follows: "I give, devise, and bequeath $400 to Woman's Home Missionary of Ohio." We are advised by our attorney that this bequest will fail, because the testator has children, and he died within one year after the making of his will.

MARGARET P. E. LUQUEER ESTATE, Elmira, N. Y.—Margaret P. E. Luqueer left to our Society one-third of a life-insurance policy of $10,000, the other two-thirds being given to the Parent Society and the Woman's Foreign Society respectively. But in each case the interest was to be paid for life to a certain beneficiary living when the will was made. The holder of the life estate in our portion having died, it is expected that our portion of the insurance policy will shortly be paid into the treasury.

MARTHA AMIDON ESTATE, Syracuse, N. Y.—By this will, probated last May, our Society is to receive the sum of $1,000.

SARAH J. BROWN ESTATE, Bloomburg, Pa.—By this will our Society is to receive the sum of $200, to be designated as the "Mrs. Freas Brown Fund," the interest only to be used.

JOSEPHINE L. WIGHTMAN ESTATE, Onandaga, N. Y.—The 8th item of this will reads as follows: "If there are any surplus funds after all bequests are paid, it is to go to the Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church."

SARAH D. WHEELER ESTATE, Saratoga, N. Y.—One of the items in this will reads as follows: "10th. I give, devise, and bequeath to the Home Missionary Society all the residue and remainder of my said estate excepting my household furniture and wearing apparel, to have and to hold the same to the said Home Missionary Society and their respective successors. I mean the Methodist Home Missionary Society." It is understood that the Parent Society claims to be the beneficiary under this will.

CAMILLA M. JACOKES ESTATE, Pontiac, Mich.—By this will our Society was given the sum of $500; and the full amount has been paid into the treasury.

JOHN WISE ESTATE, New Castle, Del.—By the will of John Wise we were given $500, which sum has been paid to the Treasurer.

ALLEN STAHL ESTATE, Jefferson, O.—The testator gave a farm of fifty acres to his widow during the term of her natural life. After her death the farm was to be sold, and from the proceeds our Society was to receive the sum of $200. It seems, however, that the farm is about to be sold, in order to obtain a fund with which to pay the widow's allowance for one year's support.

AUGUSTA HALL ESTATE, Hyde Park, Mass.—Under this will our Society is made residuary legatee. But we have not yet learned (October 16th) what sum we are likely to receive.

EMMA HAMMERSLEY ESTATE, Harrisburg, Pa.—Mrs. Hammersley died September 20, 1897, and we learn that she left a will, by which she gives $1,000 to our Society, for the General Fund.

The will of the late William J. Sibley, of Washington, D. C., dated December 3, 1896, after various bequests to relatives, etc., arranges for the surplus from the revenue derived from the estate to be divided

equally between the Central Union Mission, of Washington, the Young Men's Christian Association, of Washington, the Methodist Home of the District of Columbia, and the National Training-school for Missionaries; the latter to be equally applied to the support of the Lucy Webb Hayes Deaconess Home, the Sibley Hospital, and the furtherance of its own objects and purposes.

By will of Mr. Daniel Wright, $500, and his daughter's, Miss Mary Wright, gift of $500, $1,000 has been recently paid into the general treasury, to be used for deaconess work in Baltimore.

An Eastern friend, who wishes to remain unknown, has given the Society $1,000 on the annuity plan.

By the will of Miss Hannah Haven, the Society has received $463.50. By the terms of the will, this amount was divided equally between our Missions at Atlanta (Thayer Home), Savannah (Haven Home), and Speedwell (Mary Haven Thirkield Home).

By the will of John Wise, Wilmington, Del., $500 comes to our Society. The money has been received by the Treasurer, and settlement made with the executor.

Belinda H. Dunton, late of Winona, Minn., left a will, by which she gives $1,000 to the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

MRS. R. DYMOND, *Chairman*.

OF PLACE OF ANNUAL MEETING.

INVITATIONS have been received from Omaha, Salt Lake City, Evanston, Ill., and Minneapolis.

The Committee submit report without recommendations.

MRS. M. J. SCHOYER,
MRS. T. L. TOMKINSON.
MRS. L. G. MURPHY,
MRS. C. E. BRINKWORTH.

OF BY-LAWS.

1. PAGE 265, By-laws for Bureaus, your Committee recommend that No. 5 be changed to read as follows: "The Bureau for Georgia shall supervise the work of the Society in the State of Georgia, and the Bureau for Florida in the State of Florida."

2. On page 269, Section 7, No. 3, under Young People's Work, we recommend that the word *eight* be changed to *ten*, making it read: "Children under ten," etc.

3. On page 270, under By-laws of Board of Trustees, No. 8, we recommend that the word scholarship be used instead of beneficiary.

4. On page 271, we recommend that No. 20 be changed to read as follows: "In all cases where Conference Organizers, whose appointment has been confirmed by the Board of Trustees, are employed, the expense, which consists of traveling expenses and one dollar for each day of actual service, must be met by the Conference, if possible. An itemized bill must be given to the Conference Treasurer, and when the Conference Contingent Fund is insufficient to pay the whole of this bill, the Conference Treasurer may forward the same, indicating the amount paid thereon, to the General Treasurer, who will pay the balance." (The request for this change came from members of the Board of Trustees, in order to protect the General Treasury.)

5. On page 273, No. 4, under By-laws for Auxiliaries, we recommend that the following be added: "It shall also be the duty of the Corresponding Secretary, when no other person is appointed, to faithfully solicit subscriptions to *Woman's* and *Children's Home Missions*."

Amendment, By-law 10, page 271. To strike out after "Auxiliaries" the words, "Circles and Bands," and to add at the close of the present By-law, as printed, the words: "In the absence of a Conference Secretary of Young People's Work, she shall also secure reports from Circles and Bands." Respectfully submitted.

MRS. T. J. EVERETT,
MRS. E. B. GREEN,
MRS. JANE BANCROFT ROBINSON,
MRS. A. D. KNAPP,
MRS. M. R. LINCOLN,
Committee.

OF ORGANIZATION.

DURING the year it has been my pleasure to visit nine Conferences, and I regret to record that I have been compelled to decline invitations from eight others, because of conflict with other engagements.

From March 23d to May 31st, continuous service was given to two Conferences in New England, with the exception of time between these dates to two other Conference Anniversaries.

I have presented the interests of the Society at six Conference Anniversaries, at the Annual Meeting of two Conference Societies, in five parlor meetings, and at one camp-meeting where the Woman's Home Missionary Society had never before had a place upon the program. A promising "Camp-meeting" Auxiliary was organized with the help of the efficient Conference Organizer.

Meetings were held in sixteen Churches having a Society, and in thirty-one where none existed. In all of these Churches without an Auxiliary to our Society, save one, well-equipped organizations or Committees were left with subscribers to our paper, who promised to make every effort to perfect the Auxiliary in the near future. And happily these ladies had the hearty co-operation of the pastor and his wife. The number of organizations effected were twenty-four—Woman's Home Missionary Societies, twenty; Young Woman's Home Missionary Societies, two; Mission Bands, one; Conferences, one; districts, two. Members secured, 540; subscribers to *Woman's Home Missions*, 47; clubs to *Children's Home Missions*, 12.

It is with regret that I record such a small subscription-list to *Woman's Home Missions*, for I believe it to be our strongest *visible* arm of power. But frequently with less than a day in a place, I could only command the time to secure what I might from those who had not left their purses at home, and trust future subscriptions to an active member of the new Society.

A Superintendent of Young People's Work was invariably urged, and in many instances appointed. Where clubs to the children's paper were secured, greater interest in this branch of our work will surely result.

The pleasant friends of our Society that I have met, the kind hospitality that I have received, the encouraging and appreciative words which have been spoken, are a delightful memory, and upon all the friends, the work, and the workers may the blessing of the All-Father rest!

MRS. B. S. POTTER, *General Organizer.*

OUR MITE-BOXES.

MRS. F. H. LORD says of Mite-boxes in New England:

"The plan of systematic mite-box work, as carried on in the New England Conferences, is but of two years growth, and in the two largest Conferences where broader opportunities are offered for its work, it is working with pronounced success.

"This is owing, in a great measure, to the 'Blanks' so carefully prepared for reports by the General Secretary of the Mite-box Department. They fill a long-felt want. Of the six New England Conferences, all but two have their Auxiliary, District, and Conference Mite-box Secretaries, who are present at district, quarterly, and Annual Meetings with reports.

"Much time is given to correspondence and the sending out of leaflets on mite-box work, these leaflets also serving as a part of the literary program for Auxiliary meetings, thereby stimulating the interest, and keeping in mind our little boxes.

"Our workers find nothing pays like personal work. In New Hampshire and Vermont Conferences considerable work is done by the children of the Junior League, one little girl earning $2.50 in four months.

"Reports from New England Southern Conference show an average of $1.75 for every box opened.

"New England Conference lays claim to having a Mite-box Secretary in each of her seventy-five Auxiliaries, and the annual opening is often the occasion of a 'Fete' or Tea meeting. This being the largest Conference in New England, the strength of our work is best seen in this locality. Papers on mite-box work (prepared for the occasion) are often read at district or Annual Meetings with good results, and in various ways the subject is brought to the attention of the people. We rejoice in the part of the mite-box in helping our women to a plan of systematic, self-sacrificing giving for the Master."

Total Receipts in Cash and Postage.

From July 16, 1896, to July 16, 1897	$59 41
Total amount of cash received from the Treasurer, Mrs. D. L. Williams, for the year	12 52
Total	$71 93

Total amount disbursed and expended:

From July 16, 1896, to July 16, 1897, cash and postage..$71 93

Mite-Box Collections

As Reported by Conferences from July 16, 1896, to July 16, 1897.

Baltimore Conference, $508.77; Central Alabama, 99 cents; Central New York, $147.79; Central Ohio, $25.28; Central Pennsylvania, $216.30; Cincinnati, $308; Detroit, $222.30; East Ohio, $200.73; Erie, $34.15; Genesee, $139.36; Illinois, $17; Michigan, $139.36; Newark, $507.97; New Jersey, $50.70; New York, $50; Northern New York, $59.05; North Ohio, $2.70; Northwest Iowa, $3.75; Ohio, $162.71; Philadelphia, $188.44; Pittsburg, $92; Rock River, $32.78; South Kansas, $3.50; Wilmington, $90.70; Wisconsin, $2.90; Texas, $17.02; Des Moines, Iowa, $26.46; Maine, no report; New England, $106.56; New England Southern, $81.44; New Hampshire, $24.38; Vermont, $7.12; North Indiana, $241.67; Northwest Iowa, $181.55; Appleton, Wis., $10; Upper Iowa, $125.

The Banner Auxiliary was the Madison Avenue Church, New York City; had fifty mite-boxes and $50. The Banner mite-box was one containing $14 in the Baltimore (Strawbridge Auxiliary) Conference, in Baltimore.

The Banner Conference in mite collections was Baltimore, which reported $508.77.

I desire to return most sincere thanks to all who have in any way contributed to help us in our mite-boxes.

MRS. W. M. AMPT,
Chairman of Mite-box Committee.

ON INSURANCE.

Total amount of Insurance and Premiums paid during the year from October 1, 1896, to October 1, 1897, on property of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

	Date.	Am't.	Prem.
MORRISTOWN, TENN.—			
Industrial Home,	July 29, 1900,	$4,000	$80 00
LITTLE ROCK, ARK.—			
Adeline Smith Home,	May 19, 1900,	1,500	33 75
SAVANNAH, GA.—			
Haven Industrial Home,	Jan. 1, 1900,	500	10 00
" " "	Nov. 15, 1901,	2,000	11 77
SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH,	Feb. 23, 1900,	850	12 75
ASHEVILLE, N. C.—			
School and dwelling,	Sep. 15, 1900,	2,700	67 50
" " "	Nov. 1, 1899,	1,500	37 50
" " "	Feb. 16, 1900,	5,000	125 00
" " "	Nov. 1, 1899,	1,500	37 50
CINCINNATI, O.—Glenn Home,	Mar. 18, 1898,	3,000	8 25
" "	Mar. 18, 1898,	5,500	14 50
JACKSONVILLE, FLA.—			
Dwelling and orphanage,	Feb. 5, 1900,	2,000	60 00
" " "	Mar. 26, 1900,	1,000	35 00
" " "	July 9, 1900,	1,300	39 00
LYNTON, WHATCOM CO., WASH.—			
Stickney Home,	July 8, 1900,	1,800	36 00
SAND FLY STATION,	Dec. 30, 1899,	2,000	40 00
PONCA, INDIAN TER.,	Nov. 14, 1901,	400	12 00
			$66 0 5/2

Total amount of Insurance and Premiums paid on property of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

	Am't.	Prem.
ATHENS, TENN.—Ritter Industrial Home,	$12,500	$250 00
MORRISTOWN, TENN.—Industrial Home,	4,000	80 00
CAMDEN, S. C.—Browning Industrial Home,	4,800	144 00
Training-school and dwelling,	3,000	90 00
MARSHALL, TEX.—King Home,	10,000	300 00
WEST HOLLY SPRINGS, MISS.—		
E. L. Rust Industrial Home,	3,800	81 51
LITTLE ROCK, ARK.—Adeline Smith Industrial Home,	6,000	134 99
SAVANNAH, GA.—Haven Industrial Home,	10,400	148 50
SAND FLY STATION,	2,000	40 00
PROVO, UTAH.—Dwelling and day-school,	1,000	30 00
Carried forward,	*$57,500*	*$1,299 00*

	Am't.	Prem.
Brought forward,	*$57,500*	*$1,299 00*
SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH,	850	12 75
ELSINORE, UTAH.—Church and day-school,	500	20 00
LOGAN, UTAH.—Seminary building,	3,000	90 00
GREENSBORO, N. C.—		
Dwelling and Industrial Modern Home,	2,700	81 00
Asheville, N. C.—School and dwellings,	10,850	272 00
ORANGEBURG, S. C.—Sampson Home,	3,000	75 00
BOSTON, MASS.—Immigrants' Home,	14,000	168 00
CINCINNATI, O.—Glenn Home,	9,500	39 50
MADALIN, N. Y.,	10,000	207 50
PAWHUSKA, OKLAHOMA TER.,	1,800	54 00
PONCA, INDIAN TER.,	400	12 00
ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO,	5,000	150 00
JACKSONVILLE, FLA.—Dwelling and Orphanage,	6,450	212 50
OCALA, FLA.—Emerson Memorial Home Seminary,	2,100	73 50
Dwelling and school,	900	27 00
WHATCOM CO., WASH.—School and dormitory,	1,800	36 00
ATLANTA, GA.—Thayer Home,	5,000	100 00
NASHVILLE, TENN.—School and building,	1,000	25 00
UNALASKA, ALASKA,	3,000	95 00
	$139,350	$3,049 75

OUR NEW ORLEANS MISSION.

AT a meeting of the Board of Trustees held early in February, soon after the burning of Peck Home, a Committee was appointed, consisting of Mrs. R. S. Rust, Mrs. D. L. Williams, Mrs. F. A. Arter, and Mrs. H. C. Hedges, to take into consideration the missionary needs of New Orleans, and report plans for reopening the work of our Society in that city, to the next meeting of the Board of Managers, to be held in Baltimore, October, 1897.

Mrs. Arter visited the ground in February, and the writer and Mrs. Hedges in May. We arrived on the 17th, and spent Commencement-week at the college, which gave us an opportunity of noting the *personnel* and spirit of the school as a co-operating agency in the plans of our Society for the industrial education of young women.

By invitation we addressed the Preachers' Meeting, and spent nearly two hours in consultation with the twenty-five preachers of the city and vicinity, thereby gaining a clear idea of their temper toward our work.

The following week we spent in careful study of the several sections of the city, where are found the most needy populations, colored and white, native and foreign. We visited the industrial classes taught by our teacher, Miss Poppino, in the university; the sewing-classes and Mothers' Meetings conducted by Misses Hickman and Gibson, in connection with the several Churches in the city for colored people; the Italian Church, Sabbath-school, and Industrial Mission; met the district and Auxiliary officers of the Louisiana Conference Woman's Home Missionary Society; accepted the hospitality of some of the representative and influential members of the Methodist Church, colored and Italian; consulted with the best-informed individuals we could find, of both nationalities; attended the Church services and Sabbath-schools; and addressed congregations and special meetings, one a general Convention of the Epworth League (colored).

The property of the Society here consists of an entire square, 320 feet on Peters Avenue. This street is filling up with a fine class of residences, and property is rapidly increasing in value. Sidewalks and curbing are good, and the street is to be paved with asphalt.

The site of the Home is five squares from the university, and its success has been embarrassed by the distance, which makes it inconvenient for students of the university to profit by the class-work. Peck Home furnished a Christian home for girls, and provided for the members of the family instruction in housekeeping methods, as time would allow.

Classes in dressmaking, cutting and fitting, and millinery were successfully taught in the university by our teachers, and were highly appreciated as essentials in the education of girls. Mothers' Meetings and sewing-classes for youth have been inaugurated in connection with the several Churches. We found the young people making good progress, and the parents interested. There is great need among the people of instruction in economical and improved methods of living, especially in providing and preparing food and clothing. The more ignorant, with few ideas of correct living, have little ambition for improvement. Increasing intelligence and experience modify these conditions.

The ranks of teachers and preachers are being rapidly filled, while the work of the skilled hand, guided by the educated mind, has a good chance for success. The demand for skilled labor is increasing, and we believe that the hour is come when a polytechnic institution, of a grade to meet the needs of the people, could be sustained in New Orleans. It would meet a felt want, would have the patronage of the better classes, and the influence going out from it would reach all grades of society.

To secure the highest success, it should be near and associated with the university as a department, and should be recognized in the course of study, and in the grading of pupils. This association would insure to it educated students, and the fact of industrial training being included in the college grades, would recognize the dignity of labor.

It is equally important to keep it in close touch with the people. This can be done by means of industrial classes, that may be taught in the Churches, similar to those already inaugurated, which would serve it as feeders, and which should be under the direction of the teachers of the institution, assisted by pupils and by the more intelligent women of the congregation. The instruction furnished in practical industries, as the cutting and fitting of garments, dressmaking and millinery, and especially cooking and nursing, would supply a demand for skilled service along this line, and would open up to educated girls an opportunity for remunerative employment.

In planning our work for the future it is necessary to keep in mind the fact that the prejudices and race antagonisms, which have hindered our work in the past, are still alive. Peck Home was destroyed by fire, probably of incendiary origin.

These recommendations of our Committee are not, on the part of the Chairman, the result of recent experiences, or the observation of a few hours, but of many years of careful study of the field, during weeks together, at several different times, spent in New Orleans.

The Committee recommends the sale of the property, and the purchase of a site more convenient to the university, and the erection of a building on it that would furnish class-rooms for various industries, and dormitory accommodations for pupils. This would enable us to carry out the Model Home feature of our work in connection with the university, on the lines that have proved so successful in other of our Industrial

Homes, have been approved by both Societies, the Freedmen's Aid Society and the Woman's Home Missionary Society, and which provide that the graduating classes and most advanced students should be accommodated in the Home. The promise of professional training in various industries would attract special students. The industrial classes and Mothers' Meetings that could be sustained in connection with the several Churches in the city, would be influential in this result.

The evening of our departure we met in consultation the ministers of the city Churches. A most cordial spirit was manifested. The following report of that meeting was forwarded by its Secretary:

"MINUTES:

"In response to invitation of Mrs. R. S. Rust and Mrs. H. C. Hedges, the pastors of the several Churches in New Orleans met in the parlor of the New Orleans University, May 22d, to consider plans for the re-establishment of the work of the Society in this city.

"The work as it had been conducted was considered, and the advisability of a radical change of method discussed.

"Dr. Scott, who during the five years he was President of Wiley University, had practical experience of the advantages of the plan of co-operation which had been agreed upon by the Freedmen's Aid and the Woman's Home Missionary Societies, said that the young women resident in the Home in a short time took a higher stand in every way in the school than girls of equal ability who were in the boarding department of the college. He considered the training that the Home furnished to be of the highest importance in their education.

"All agreed that the industrial feature is of incalculable value in preparation for life-work, especially in view of the fact that a majority of the pupils come from homes where they have few advantages for acquiring a knowledge of the essential details of good housekeeping.

"The relative advantage of location, with reference to population, was considered; also the sixteen Churches for colored people in New Orleans, which have a membership of 3,200, and a constituency of more than three times that number. They are distributed throughout the city, while the University and the site of Peck Home are at one side.

"The supreme need of a polytechnical institution, to include practical industries and nurse training, was recognized, and in order to secure extended co-operation, it was recommended to conduct industrial schools, or classes, under the direction of the central institute, in connection with the Churches.

"It was recognized that industrial training without education would not have permanent value in the elevation of the race.

"It was agreed, unanimously, to recommend a polytechnical institution, located as near as possible to the New Orleans University. The discussion was participated in, and the conclusions indorsed, by eleven pastors present."

Respectfully submitted.

MRS. R. S. RUST,
MRS. D. L. WILLIAMS,
MRS. F. A. ARTER,
MRS. H. C. HEDGES,
Committee.

ON FINANCE AND MISSION FIELDS.

The Committee on Finance and Mission Fields recommend the following appropriations for 1897–98:

APPROPRIATIONS.

Southern Work.

THAYER HOME, ATLANTA, GA.—Superintendent and assistants, salary and traveling expenses,	$780 00
Repairs,	100 00
Additional building,	500 00
Total,	$1,380 00
HAVEN HOME, SAVANNAH, GA.—Superintendent, salary and traveling expenses,	$480 00
Assistant superintendent and teachers,	860 00
Current expenses,	350 00
Repairs, and water and plumbing,	150 00
School supplies and furniture,	110 00
Putting in gas (conditional),	91 60
Total,	$2,041 60
SPEEDWELL, GA.—Teacher's salary and traveling expenses,	$360 00
Current expenses and incidentals,	175 00
Furnishings (conditional),	54 50
Horse and buggy (conditional),	75 00
Total,	$664 50
BOYLAN HOME, JACKSONVILLE, FLA.—Superintendent, traveling expenses, and salary,	$360 00
Three assistants,	960 00
Incidentals,	100 00
Furniture and desks,	100 00
Repairs and furnishing for Industrial School,	100 00
Sidewalk,	100 00
Total,	$1,720 00
EMERSON HOME, OCALA, FLA.—Superintendent, salary and traveling expenses,	$360 00
Missionary teachers,	320 00
Repairs,	200 00
Total,	$880 00
KENT HOME, GREENSBORO, N. C.—Superintendent, salary and traveling expenses,	$350 00
Incidentals,	50 00
Total,	$400 00

ALLEN HOME, ASHEVILLE, N. C.—Superintendent and teachers, salary and traveling expenses,	$1,080 00
Incidentals (conditional upon being needed),	100 00
Completing building,	1,800 00
Total,	$2,980 00
SIMPSON HOME, ORANGEBURG, S. C.—Superintendent and assistants, salary and traveling expenses,	$790 00
Furnishing and incidentals,	175 00
Finishing attic (conditional),	150 00
Total,	$1,115 00
BROWNING HOME, CAMDEN, S. C.—Superintendent and three assistants, salary and traveling expenses,	$1,560 00
MORRISTOWN, TENN.—Superintendent and assistant, salary and traveling expenses,	$685 00
Incidentals and improvements,	125 00
Total,	$810 00
RITTER HOME, ATHENS, TENN.—Superintendent and sewing teacher, salary and traveling expenses,	$580 00
Pupil teacher (conditional upon being needed),	50 00
Incidentals and fuel,	200 00
Painting and repairs (conditional),	500 00
Total,	$1,330 00
E. L. RUST HOME, HOLLY SPRINGS, MISS.—Superintendent and assistants, salary and traveling expenses,	$950 00
Nurse-training department ($25 conditional),	225 00
Incidentals and repairs,	300 00
Total,	$1,475 00
BENNETT HOME, CLARKSON, MISS.—Superintendent and assistant, salary and traveling expenses,	$750 00
Incidentals,	370 00
Boarding-hall building (conditional),	300 00
Total,	$1,420 00
ADELINE SMITH HOME, LITTLE ROCK, ARK.—Superintendent and assistant, salary and traveling expenses,	$554 00
Incidentals and repairs,	280 00
Total,	$834 00
ITALIAN WORK, NEW ORLEANS, LA.—Missionaries, salary and traveling expenses,	$800 00
Rent and incidentals,	170 00
Total,	$970 00

KING HOME, MARSHALL, TEXAS.—Superintendent and assistant, salary and traveling expenses,	$740 00
Incidentals, fuel, etc.,	150 00
Heating apparatus,	300 00
Total,	$1,190 00
Total for Southern Work,	$20,770 10

Utah.

GURLEY HOME, MORONI—Teacher and supplies,	$360 00
RICHFIELD—Teacher,	300 00
MT. PLEASANT—Missionary and rent,	250 00
LOGAN—Missionary and rent,	250 00
EPHRAIM—Missionary and rent,	300 00
PROVO—Missionary and rent,	200 00
OGDEN—Missionary and rent,	250 00
SPRING CITY—Missionary and rent,	360 00
ELSINORE—Teacher,	400 00
SALT LAKE, DEACONESS HOME—Four Deaconessess,	800 00
Contingent Fund ($100 conditional),	400 00
Total for Utah,	$3,870 00

New Mexico and Arizona (Spanish.)

HARWOOD HOME, ALBUQUERQUE, N. M.—Superintendent and assistant, salary and traveling expenses,	$960 00
Incidentals,	100 00
Furnishings (conditional),	500 00
Total,	$1,560 00
LAS CRUCES—Missionary and incidentals,	$530 00
LAS VEGAS—Missionary and incidentals,	630 00
Total for New Mexico and Arizona (Spanish),	$2,720 00

Indian Work.

NEW MEXICO AND ARIZONA (INDIAN).

DULCE.—Two missionaries,	$960 00
Assistant teacher and helper,	200 00
Improvements on building, and a well,	200 00
Building dormitory (conditional),	300 00
Total,	$1,660 00
NAVAJOES.—Missionary,	$600 00
Interpreter,	200 00
Building well, and incidentals,	150 00
Total,	$950 00
Total for New Mexico and Arizona (Indian),	$2,610 00

INDIAN AND FRONTIER WORK.

PONCA, O. T.—Missionary,	$420 00
Incidentals and repairs,	150 00
Total,	$570 00
ADELAIDE SPRINGER MISSION, PAWHUSKA, O. T.—Missionary and teachers (200 conditional),	630 00
Incidentals,	150 00
Total,	$780 00
STICKNEY HOME, NOOKSACHE, WASH.—Superintendent, matron, and teacher,	$540 00
Furniture and incidentals,	350 00
Total,	$890 00
FORT SIMCOE, YAKIMA AGENCY.—Missionary, salary and incidentals,	$380 00
UKIAH, CAL.—Missionary,	80 00
PAWNEE, O. T.—Missionary,	100 00
	$560 00
Total for Indian and Frontier Work,	$2,800 00
ALASKA.—Salaries and incidentals,	$1,000 00

Immigrant Work.

IMMIGRANTS' HOME, NEW YORK.—Two missionaries,	$960 00
Domestic, $230; rent, $800; current expenses, $250,	1,280 00
Total,	$2,240 00
IMMIGRANTS' HOME, PHILADELPHIA.—Superintendent, salary (conditional), $200; rent, $200; current expenses, $200,	$600 00
IMMIGRANTS' HOME, BOSTON.—Superintendent and assistant,	$416 00
Helpers, $600; repairs, $250; car-fare and incidentals, $30,	880 00
Repairs and improvements (conditional),	250 00
Medical work at North End (conditional),	1,050 00
Total,	$2,596 00
Total for immigrant work,	5,436 00
WATTS DE PEYSTER HOME, TIVOLI, N. Y.—Superintendent and helper,	$900 00
Teacher, $420; farmer, $420; current expenses, $600,	1,440 00
Fuel and light, $250; repairs and incidentals, $325; indoor help, $350,	925 00
(Conditional appropriation),	1,200 00
Total,	$4,465 00

E. E. MARCY HOME, CHICAGO, ILL.—Missionary and helpers,	$480 00
Incidentals,	250 00
Building (conditional),	7,000 00
Total,	$7,730 00
GLENN HOME, CINCINNATI, O. — Missionary and kindergarten (conditional),	$2,000 00
Unconditional appropriation,	500 00
Total,	$2,500 00
MOTHERS' JEWELS HOME, YORK, NEB.—Superintendent and assistant, $800; matron's salary and helpers, $840; farmer, $250; kindergarten and teacher, $300,	$2,180 00
Current expenses,	2,500 00
Painting buildings, $150; memorial tablets and windows, $200; traveling expenses for children (conditional), $200; children's annex (conditional), $150,	700 00
Total,	$5,380 00
LUCY WEBB HAYES TRAINING-SCHOOL, WASHINGTON, D. C.— Deaconesses' allowances, incidentals, insurance, and printing,	$2,000 00
Rent, $500; furnishing and repairs, $500; local city work, $500 (conditional),	1,500 00
Support of deaconesses (conditional),	1,000 00
Reappropriation for building (conditional),	10,000 00
Total,	$14,500 00
Sibley Hospital (conditional $500),	$1,500 00

Deaconess Work (Conditional).

BALTIMORE,	$4,000 00
BROOKLYN,	4,500 00
BUFFALO,	4,000 00
CLEVELAND,	4,000 00
DES MOINES,	1,200 00
DETROIT,	3,000 00
GRAND RAPIDS,	2,500 00
KNOXVILLE,	700 00
PHILADELPHIA,	5,000 00
PITTSBURG,	4,000 00
SAN FRANCISCO,	2,500 00
SYRACUSE,	1,500 00
URBANA,	1,500 00
TROY CONFERENCE,	300 00
JERSEY CITY,	1,500 00
NEW MEXICO,	250 00
CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA CONFERENCE,	600 00
REST HOME, OCEAN GROVE, N. J.,	3,600 00
BUILDING DEACONESS HOME, SYRACUSE, N. Y.,	2,000 00
Total Deaconess Work,	$46,650 00

Oriental Work.

SAN FRANCISCO ($1,000 conditional),	$2,500 00
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA,	300 00
Total,	$2,800 00

Conference and City Work (Conditional).

MICHIGAN,	$1,000 00
NEWARK,	800 00
NEW JERSEY,	500 00
PITTSBURG,	500 00
Total,	$2,800 00

Appropriations for Scholarships (Conditional).

ALASKA,	$2,000 00
ALBUQUERQUE, N. M.,	600 00
ASHEVILLE, N. C.,	210 00
ATHENS, TENN.,	800 00
ATLANTA, GA.,	400 00
CAMDEN, S. C.,	200 00
CLARKSON, MISS.,	150 00
DULCE, N. M.,	160 00
GREENSBORO, N. C.,	200 00
HOLLY SPRINGS, MISS.,	150 00
JACKSONVILLE, FLA.,	200 00
LITTLE ROCK, ARK.,	160 00
MARSHALL, TEX.,	300 00
MORRISTOWN, TENN.,	200 00
NOOKSACHK, WASH.,	800 00
OCALA, FLA.,	200 00
ORANGEBURG, S. C.,	225 00
SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.,	600 00
SAVANNAH, GA.,	250 00
TIVOLI, N. Y.,	800 00
YORK, NEB.,	600 00
WASHINGTON, D. C., TRAINING-SCHOOL,	2,500 00
Total Scholarship Funds,	$11,705 00

Printing Accounts,	$2,500 00	
Office Expenses,	2,500 00	
Attorney's Fees,	300 00	
Interest on Annuities, Endowments, and Notes,	2,000 00	
Insurance,	1,000 00	
Incidentals,	1,700 00	
Grand Total,	149,236 10	
Unconditional,	60,585 00	
Conditional,	88,651 10	

Summary.

	Unconditional.	Conditional.
Southern Work,	$19,424 00	$1,346 10
Utah,	3,770 00	100 00
New Mexico and Arizona (Spanish),	2,220 00	500 00
New Mexico and Arizona (Indian),	2,310 00	300 00
Indian and Frontier Work,	2,600 00	200 00
Alaska,	1,000 00	.....
Immigrant,	3,936 00	1,500 00
Watts de Peyster Home,	3,265 00	1,200 00
E. E. Marcy Home,	730 00	7,000 00
Glenn Home,	500 00	2,000 00
Mothers' Jewels Home,	5,030 00	350 00
Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school,	3,000 00	11,500 00
Sibley Hospital,	1,000 00	500 00
Deaconess Work,	.....	46,650 00
Oriental Work,	1,800 00	1,000 00
Conference and City Work,	.....	2,800 00
Scholarships,	.....	11,705 00
General Incidental Expenses,	8,000 00	.....
Interest on Annuities, Endowments, and Notes,	2,000 00	.....
Total,	$60,585 00	$88,651 10

MRS. DELIA LATHROP WILLIAMS, Chairman.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

MRS. DELIA L. WILLIAMS,

In account with the WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY,

July 15, 1896 to July 15, 1897.

RECEIPTS FROM CONFERENCES.

Baltimore Conference.

MRS. M. E. BROWN, Treasurer, 902 Fourteenth Street, Washington, D. C.

General Fund.— BALTIMORE DISTRICT.— Baltimore: Eutaw Street, $7.25; First Church, $139; Circle, $10; Madison Avenue, $88; Mt. Vernon Place, $34.75; Gift, $3.50; South Baltimore, $34.50; Strawbridge, $78; Wesley Chapel, $22.50; Woodberry: Grace, $14.75. Total, $432.25.

EAST BALTIMORE DISTRICT.—Baltimore: Broadway, $17.75; Canton Street, $11.50; East Baltimore Station, $31.80; Green Mount Avenue, $2.25; Harford Avenue, $52.60; Jefferson Street, $7.40; Montford Avenue, $16.50; Monument Street, $33.25. Total, $173.05.

WEST BALTIMORE DISTRICT.—Baltimore: Bethany, $32.50; Columbia Avenue, $27; Emory, $11.60; Fayette Street, $45; Franklin Street, $23; Grace, $78; Circle, $8.50; Harlem Park, $30; Union Square, $40; Whatcoat, $53.50; Mrs. H. R. Savage, $1. Total, $350.10.

FREDERICK DISTRICT.—Cumberland: Center Street, $8; District paid to Mrs. Roach, $7.25; Ijamsville, $6; Martinsburg, $30.80; Paw Paw, $6. Total, $58.05.

WASHINGTON DISTRICT.—Washington; Anacostia, $27.70; Douglas Memorial, $34.25; Dumbarton, $30; Fifteenth Street, $17; Foundry, $40; Circle, $11; Young Ladies, $6.50; Grace, $7.25; Hamline, $133; Circle, $11.80; Young Ladies, $6.30; Hamline Junior, $5.30; Ministering Circle, 90c.; Kensington, $20.05; Lanham, $4.33; McKendree, $22.20; Circle, $7.50; McKendree Junior, $1.50; Metropolitan, $41.25; North Capital $11.20; Ryland, $43; St. Paul's, $27; Trinity, $36.20; Twelfth Street, $29.80; Union, $33; Mothers' Jewels, 20c.; Waugh, $41.25; Wesley, $31.35; Circle, $10.20; Wesley Junior, $4.20. Total, $695.23.

Leaflet Fund.—Conference, $7.25. Total, $7.25.

Mothers' Jewels.—Washington: McKendree, 50c.; Union, 10c. Total, 60 cents.

Organizers' Expense.— By Voucher. Baltimore: Franklin Street, $2.70; Washington: Anacostia, $1.25; Waugh, $3.20. Total, $7.15.

Baltimore Conference, $160.32. Total, $160.32.

Total to General Fund, ... $1,884.

Special General Fund. — *Emergency Fund.* — Baltimore: Fayette Street, $5; Grace, $5; Jefferson Avenue, $5; Madison Avenue, $10; Washington: Douglas Memorial, $5; Foundry, $20; Hamline Church, $25; McKendree, $10; Metropolitan, $35; Trinity, $5; not distributed to Auxiliaries, $20. Total, $145.

Immigrants' Home, N. Y.—West Baltimore District, $4.50; Fayette Street, $1; Union Square, $1; Grace, $1.50; Harlem Park, $1; Whatcoat, $2; Bethany, $1; Broadway, $1.75; East Baltimore Station, $1; Harford Avenue, $3.50; Monument Street, $2.25; East Baltimore District, $1.50; Frederick District, $5; Ijamsville, $5; Washington District, $29; Foundry, $5; Hamline, $5; Young Ladies, $1; McKendree, $5. Total, $77.

Missionary Salary, Alaska. — Baltimore: Columbia Avenue, $5; Franklin Street, $5; First Church, $25; Circle, $10; Mt. Vernon Place, $2; Fayette, $10; Union Square, $10; Grace, $25; Harlem Park, $10; Emory, $10; Wesley Chapel, $2.50; Whatcoat, $10; Bethany, $10; Baltimore District, $1.50; Strawbridge, $20; East Baltimore Station, $3.85; West Baltimore District, $5; Frederick District, $15; Ijamsville, $2.50; Washington District, $11; Dumbarton, $5; McKendree, $25; St. Paul's, $50; Fifteenth Street, $3.10; Trinity, $12; Union, $32; Waugh, $28.32; Wesley, $1. Total, $349.77.

Total to Special General Fund, ... $571.77.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Jesse Lee Home.*—Baltimore: Madison Avenue, $50; Wesley Chapel, $5; Washington: Foundry, $30; Hamline, Young Ladies, $15; Junior, $35; Metropolitan, $50; Waugh, 50.20; Wesley Chapel, Young Ladies, $50. Total, $285.20.

Lucy Webb Hayes Home. — By Voucher. — Baltimore: First Church, $10; Junior, $2.50; Madison Avenue, $15; Strawbridge, $3; South Baltimore, $3; Emory, $2.50; East Baltimore Station, $10.15; West Baltimore District, $15; Fayette, $2.50; Union Square, $2.50; Grace, $15; Harlem Park, $2.50; Whatcoat, $2.50; Bethany, $2.50; Harford Avenue, $8; Monument Street, $2; Washington: Wesley, Young Ladies, $1; for Salee Omasayra, Hagerstown, $4; Ijamsville, $2; Frederick, $15; Frostburg, $10; Frederick District, $25. Total, $155.65.

Oriental Work.—Washington District, $37; Washington: Douglas Memorial, $1; Hamline, Young Ladies, $10; Foundry, $5; Young Ladies, $5; Fifteenth Street, $2; Frederick District, $15; Ijamsville, $2.50. Total, 77.50.

Utah. — Baltimore: Emory, $1.50; Fayette, $1; Union Square, $1; Grace, $1; Harlem Park, $1; Whatcoat, $1; Bethany, $1; Harford Avenue, $2; Monument Street, $2; Baltimore District, $2; East Baltimore District, $1.50; First Church, $2; Madison, $2; Strawbridge, $2; South Baltimore, $2; East Baltimore Station, $1. Total, $24.

Stickney Home.—Frederick District, $40; Ijamsville, $5; Frederick, Epworth League, $5. Total, $50.

Total to Beneficiary Fund, ... $592.35.

Special Fund. — *Deaconess Home, Baltimore.* — Voucher, $2,249.76; Auxiliaries, $679.17. Total, $2,928.93.

Deaconess Home, Washington.—Voucher, $1.115.50; Auxiliaries, $350.42. Total, $1,465.92.

Hospital Fund.—Voucher, $497.58; Auxiliaries, $97.20. Total, $594.78.

Frontier Work.—Voucher, $39.85. Total, $39.85.

Harwood Home Furnishing.—Washington: Hamline, $50. Total, $50.

Immigrants' Home, N. Y.—Baltimore: First Church, $5; Circle, $3; Madison, $5; Strawbridge, $5; South Baltimore, $2; Emory, $1; East Baltimore Station, $2.50. Total, $23.50.

Jesse Lee Home.—Building Fund.—Washington: Foundry, Young Ladies, $50; Friends, for Washing Machine, $8. Total, $58.

Rest Home.—Baltimore: Grace, $8; Harford Avenue, $2; Washington: Foundry, $2; Hamline, $3; Metropolitan, $12; McKendree, $5. Total, $32.

Total to Special Fund, ... $5,192.98.
Grand total, ... 8,241.10.
Local Work, ... 329.71.

California Conference.

MRS. ABBIE A. STUDLEY, Treasurer, 717 Shotwell Street, San Francisco, California.

General Fund.—NAPA DISTRICT.—Napa: Centenary, $10.50; Petaluma, $8; Santa Rosa, $12. Total, $30.50.

OAKLAND DISTRICT.—Alameda: First Church, $26; Berkeley: Trinity, $27; Young Ladies' Circle, $6.50; Haywards, 3; Modesta, $2; Oakland: Chester Street, $8; First Church, $62; Young Ladies' Circle, $7; East Oakland: Eighth Avenue, $38.10; Stockton Central, $30.74. Total, $210.34.

SACRAMENTO DISTRICT.—Grass Valley, $28; Marysville, $4; Sacramento: Sixth Street, $25. Total, $57.

SAN FRANCISCO DISTRICT.—Centella, $11; Pacific Grove, $29.50; San Francisco: California Street, $14; Central, $27; Epworth, $4; Grace, $32.40; Circle, 3; Howard Street, $35; Circle, $4; Simpson Memorial, $18; Trinity, $21.60; San Jose: First Church, $36; Santa Clara, $10; Santa Cruz, $21.20. Total, $266.70.

Conference Gatherings, $21. Total, $21.

Leaflet Fund, $5. Total, $5.

Total General Fund, ... $590 54.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.*—Butcher City, $5; Centella, $10; Grass Valley, $11.50; Oakland: First Church, $10.50; Young Ladies' Circle, $23; San Francisco, $10; San Jose: First Church, $10; Santa Cruz, $2.50; Stockton: Central, $10.

Total Special General Fund, ... $92.50.

Special Fund.—*To Deaconess Work.*—San Francisco Conference, $493.05; Napa Mite-boxes, $5; without special credits, $370.85. Total, $868.90.

Frontier Work.—Napa, Mite-boxes, $5. Total, $5.

Oriental Bureau.—Alameda: First Church, $3.60; Circle, $10; Grass Valley, $5; Oakland: First Church, $9; Circle, $10; East Oakland: Eighth Avenue, $10; San Francisco: Grace, $2.75; Howard Street, $8; Trinity, $6; San Jose: First Church, $10; Santa Cruz, $7.50; without special credits, $161.65; Conference, $174.12. Total, $417.62.

Indian Work, Jewett, N. M.—Napa: Centenary, $5; Santa Rosa, $5. Total, $10.

Total Special Fund, ... $1,301.72.
Grand total, ... 1,984.76.

Central Illinois Conference.

MRS. ELLA BRADWAY, Treasurer, Abingdon, Illinois.

General Fund.—GALESBURG DISTRICT.—Abingdon, $12.50; Carthage $3.25; Thank-offering, $6; Circle, $15.75; Galesburg, $10; North Henderson, $4.50; Band, $35. Total, $52.35.

KANKAKEE DISTRICT.—Onarga, $25. Total, $25.

ROCK ISLAND DISTRICT.—Rock Island, $4; Circle, $12.50. Total, $16.50.

Conference Gatherings.—Through Rev. Thomas Doney, $13.
Total, $13.

Total to General Fund, ... $106.85.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.*—Henry: A Friend, $5; Normal, $5; Onarga, $30; Tiskilwa, Mrs. Hepperly and daughter, $10.
Total, $50.

Total to Special General Fund, ... $50.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Ritter Home.*—Rock Island, $20.
Total, $20.

San Francisco.—Carthage, $25. Total, $25.

Total to Beneficiary Fund, ... $45.00.
Grand total, ... 201.85.

Central Missouri Conference.

MRS. G. B. ABBOTT, Treasurer, 1913 Locust Street, Kansas City, Mo.

General Fund. — KANSAS CITY DISTRICT. — Kansas City: Asbury Chapel, $1; Burns Chapel, $1; Clinton, 50 cts.; Slater, 62 cts. Total, $3.12.
ST. JOSEPH DISTRICT.—Columbia, $1; Fayette, $3.20; Glasgow, 50 cts.
Total, $4.70.
TOPEKA DISTRICT.—Topeka: Asbury, 58 cents; Mound City, 25 cents.
Total, 83 cents.

Total to General Fund, ... $8.65.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.*—Kansas City: Grand Avenue, $5. Total, $5.

Grand Total, ... $13.65.

Central New York Conference.

MRS. J. F. PEASE, Treasurer, 107 Merriman Avenue, Syracuse, N. Y.

General Fund.—AUBURN DISTRICT.—Auburn: First Church, $62; Wall Street, $30; Ithaca: First Church, $46; Band, 72 cents; Lock Berlin, $6.75; North Lansing, $1; Red Creek, $3.15; Circle, $9.88; Savannah, $26; Seneca Falls, $10.75; Victory, $12.15; Weedsport, $29.25; Circle, $19.50; Band, $1.77. Total, $258.92.
CAZENOVIA DISTRICT.—Canastota, $22; Cazenovia, $38; Chittenango, $1.88; Circle, $6.76; Cortland, $55; Band, $1; DeRuyter, $6.50; Homer, $16; Keeney's Settlement, $11; Manlius, $31; North Pitcher, $1; Oneida, $30.70; West Dryden, $7; West Eaton, $3.75; Mrs. Mary O'Day, $50.
Total, $281.59.
ELMIRA DISTRICT.—Burlington, $1; Canton, Pa., $21; Catherine, $3; East Smithfield, $1; Elmira: First Church, $55.80; to make Mrs. F. R. Hall Life Member, $20; Circle, $7; Hedding, $36.25; Band, $4.50; Forksville, $1; Riverside, $12.50; Troy, Pa., $19. Total, $182.05.
GENEVA DISTRICT.—Bellona Circle, $7; Canandaigua, $42.60; Circle, $5; Band, $5: Clyde, $15.25; Geneva, $27.44; Lyons, $57; Band, $5; Mecklinburg, $18.20; Middlesex, $21.25; Milo Center, $19; Newark, $28; North Hectar, $1; Palmyra, $36.30; Penn Yan, $37; Seneca Castle, $1; Sodus, $28.25; Trumansburg, $11.25; Wayne and Barrington, $1; Williamson, $8.60.
Total, $375.14.
SYRACUSE DISTRICT.—Amber, $2; Baldwinsville, $54; Circle, $14; De Witt, $20.40; Euclid, $6.45; Liverpool, $14.25; Syracuse: Brown Memorial, $25.75; Centenary, $52.25; Erwin Square, $16.75; First Church,

$89.75; First Ward, $31; Furman Street, $5.50; University Avenue, $81.60; West Genesee Street, $38; Band, 29 cents. Total, $451.99.
Mothers' Jewels, $40.40. Total, $40.40.
Mite-boxes, $64.73. Total, $64.73.
Leaflets, 50 cents. Total, 50 cents.
Child's Paper, $1.50. Total, $1.50.
Total General Fund, ... $1,656.82.

Special General Fund.—Cortland, Mrs. Thankful Price to make Mrs. Mary O'Day Honorary Manager, $50; Euclid, $4.95; Manlius, $6.10; Milo Center, $2; Palmyra, $5; Sodus, 25 cents; Syracuse: Centenary, $10; First Church, $20; Keeney's Settlement, 50 cents; Riverside, $5; Seneca Falls, $2.49; Troy, $1.10; Weedsport, $8.39; Mite-boxes, $2.09. Total, $117.87.
Emergency Fund.—Auburn: First Church, $10; Baldwinsville, $15; Canastota, $5; Canton, Pa., $25; Cazenovia, $5; Cortland, $45; De Witt, $18.42; Elmira: First Church, $5; Circle, $5; Hedding Church, $10; Homer, $5; Ithaca: First Church, $30; Keeney's Settlement, $15; Lyons, $16.75; Manlius, $5; Middlesex, $3; Newark, $5; Oneida, $18; Penn Yan, $5; Seneca Falls, $10; Sodus, $15; Syracuse: Brown Memorial, $10; First Church, $45.25; Centenary, $24.32; Band, $5; First Ward, $5; West Genesee Street, $11; University Avenue, $50; Weedsport, $10.83. Total, $432.57.
Total Special General Fund, ... $550.44.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Jesse Lee Home.*—Elmira: Hedding Church, $5; Geneva, $10; Penn Yan, Circle, $50; Weedsport, $15.65. Total, $80.65.
Ritter Home.—Baldwinsville, $10. Total, $10.
Simpson Home.—Geneva, $20. Total, $20.
Stickney Home.—Syracuse: First Ward, $10; Band, $10; Weedsport, $17.42; Band, $5.74. Total, $43.16.
Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $153.81.

Special Fund.—*Deaconess Home, Syracuse.*—By voucher, $283.65. Total, $283.65.
Immigrant Home, New York, $5. Total, $5.
Jesse Lee Home.—Bellona, Circle, $5; Middlesex, $5; Milo Center, $3; Palmyra, $5; Syracuse: Furman Street, $5. Total, $23.
Marcy Home.—Auburn District, $5; Elmira: First Church, $1; Circle, $1. Total, $7.
Total Special Fund, ... $318.65.
Grand total, ... 2,679.72.
Local Work, ... 89.58.

Central Ohio Conference.

MRS. W. G. WILLIAMS, Treasurer, Delaware, Ohio.

General Fund.—BELLEFONTAINE DISTRICT.—Anna, $18; Bellefontaine, $66.25; De Graff, $14.25; Hardin, $12.25; Lena, $2.69; Quincy, $18.25; Roundhead, $2; St. Paris, $15; Sidney, $21.75. Total, $170.44.
DEFIANCE DISTRICT.—Ayersville, $7.50; Bryan, $18; Defiance, $54.83; Circle, $17.77; Ottawa, $20; Pioneer, $28.50. Total, $146.60.
DELAWARE DISTRICT.—Carey, $17; Delaware: William Street, $38; Marion, $85; Marysville, $35.25; Mt. Victory, $5.80; Prospect, $7.45; West Mansfield: Bethel Church, $16.76. Total, $205.26.
FINDLAY DISTRICT.—Ada, $6.75; Bloomdale, $14.25; Columbus Grove, $1; Findlay: First Church, $38.52; Fostoria, $39; Fremont, $50.80; Houcktown, $8; Rawson, $2; Sidney, $11. Total, $171.32.
LIMA DISTRICT.—Delphos, $9.30; Circle, 75 cents; Herring, $2; Lima:

Trinity, $53.50; Mendon, $9; Mercer, $5.72; Middlepoint: Grace Church, $5.75; St. Mary's, $25.50; Spencerville, $1.65; Van Wert, $10; Band, $1; Wapakoneta, $18. Total, $142.17.

TOLEDO DISTRICT.—Bowling Green, $57.50; Circle, $3.50; Band, $2.50; Gibsonburg, $46.25; Oak Harbor, $9.50; Richfield Center: Farley Church, $5.50; Tinney: Mt. Zion Church, $35; Toledo: Albany Street, $10; Broadway, $21; Epworth, $19.75; St. Paul, $128.37; Band, $1.50. Total, $340.37.

From Conference, $31. Total, $31.

Total General Fund, ... $1,207.16.

Special General Fund. — *Missionaries' Salaries.* — Ayersville, $2; Bryan, $5; Defiance, $41.97; Delaware: William Street, $70.42 (for Miss Elliott, King Home); Delphos, $11.48; Circle, $1.50; Findlay: First Church, $6; Fremont, $5; Herring, $1; Houcktown, $11.65; Lima: Trinity, $20; Middlepoint: Grace Church, $3.75; Toledo: Albany Street, 70 cents; St. Paul, $12.23 (Miss Elliott's salary). Total, $192.70.

Emergency Fund.—Ada, $5; Anna, $5; Bellefontaine, $37.69; Bowling Green, $20; Carey, $5; Defiance, $25; De Graff, $5; Delaware: William Street, $30; Junior League, $5; Fremont, Circle, $10; Gibsonburg, $15; Herring, $5; Sidney, $50; Toledo: Broadway, $10; Epworth, $10; West Mansfield: Bethel Church, $5. Total, $242.69.

Total Special General Fund, ... $435.39.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Haven Home.*—Toledo: St. Paul, Circle, $40. Total, $40.

Ritter Home.—Bellefontaine, $5; Findlay: First Church, $2.20; Lima: Trinity, $10.50; Ottawa, $8.50; Wapakoneta, $15. Total, $41.20.

Stickney Home.—Fremont, $15. Total, $15.

Total Beneficiary Funds, ... $96.20.

Special Fund. — Asheville: Anna, $10; Antwerp, 50 cents; Bellefontaine, $25; Bowling Green, $21.40; Carey, $10; De Graff, $20; Delaware: William Street, $5; Findlay: First Church, $23; Fostoria, $15; Fremont, $10; Gibsonburg, $25; Lima: Trinity, $25; Marysville, $22.50; Mendon, $5; Ottawa, $30; Pioneer, $20; Quincy, $10; Sidney, $20; Toledo: Broadway, $15; St. Paul, $50. Total, $362.40.

Jesse Lee Home.—Fostoria, $15; Toledo: St. Paul, $20. Total, $35.

Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—Fremont, $5; Circle, $1; Band, $1; Herring, $3; Lima: Trinity, $5; Toledo: St. Paul, $10; Van Wert Band, $5. Total, $30.

Marcy Home.—Delaware: William Street, $5. Total, $5.

Mothers' Jewels Home.—Toledo: St. Paul, $18.50. Total, $18.50.

Ritter Home.—Delphos, $5; Herring, $5; Lima: Trinity, $20; Ottawa, $9. Total, $39.

Stickney Home.—Delaware: William Street, $5. Total, $5.

Total Special Fund, ... $494.90.

Grand total, ... 2,233.65.

Central Pennsylvania Conference.

MISS L. MINNIE HURSH, Treasurer, 212 North Second Street, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

To General Fund.—ALTOONA DISTRICT.—Altoona: Eighth Avenue, $50.50; First Church, $16.50; Beech Creek, $10.25; Bellefonte, $39.50; Hollidaysburg, $9.10; Houtzdale, $4.00. Total, $129.85.

DANVILLE DISTRICT.—Ashland, $11.43; Berwick, $28.25; Hamline, $7;

$5; Loveland, $5; Middletown: Circle, $5.72; Milford, $5; Norwood: Grace, $10; Piqua: Grace, $5; South Charleston, $5; Springboro, $5; Springfield: High Street, $20; Troy, $5; Xenia: Trinity, $15; Conference Treasurer, $10. Total, $471.27.

Total to Special General Fund, ... $525.52.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Boylan Home.*—Mt. Auburn, $22.65; Price Hill, $20. Total, $42.65.

Haven Home.—Walnut Hills, $20; Circle, $20. Total, $40.

Jesse Lee Home.—Cincinnati: Walnut Hills, Circle, $50. Total, $50.

New Jersey Home.—Cincinnati: Trinity, $25. Total, $25.

Ritter Home.—Xenia: Trinity, $20. Total, $20.

Simpson Home.—Dayton: Raper, $15; Circle, $25; Urbana: First Church, Circle, $10; Winton Place, $20. Total, $70.

Stickney Home.—Xenia: First Church, $30; Circle, $8; Trinity, $20. Total, $58.

Total Beneficiary Funds, ... $305.65.

Special Fund.—Conference, $44.50; Brookville, $2; Carthage, $2.50; Dayton: Broadway, $7; Grace, $5; Raper, $5; Circle, $2; St. Paul, $3.93; Eaton, $2; Miamisburg, $2; Leesburg, $3; Red Bank, $1; Springboro, $3; Springfield: Central, $5.75; High Street, $2; Troy, $5; Urbana: First Church, $5; Grace, $4; Winton Place, $5; Cincinnati: Avondale, $5.35; Cumminsville, $2.50; Mt. Auburn, $5; Trinity, $5; Walnut Hills, $45. Total, $172.53.

Of the above amounts, Asheville has $79.68; Alaska, $4.50; Bennett, $5; Navajoes, $20; Oriental work, $23.35; Utah, $20; Watts de Peyster, $20.

Glenn Home.—Conference vouchers, $1,557.40; Cincinnati: Mt. Auburn, $2.97; St. Paul, $2.25; Trinity, $5.81; Circle, $9.33; Walnut Hills, $35.07; Norwood: Grace, $8; Winton Place, $33.91; Dayton: Broadway, $10.67; St. Paul's, $4; Eaton, $1.56; Hillsboro, $1.50; Miamisburg, $6; Troy, $5.50; Urbana: First Church, $4. Total, $1,687.97.

Jesse Lee Home.—Dayton: St. Paul, 94 cents; Oxford, $1.50; Springfield: Central Church, $1.25. Total, $3.69.

Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—Cincinnati: St. Paul, voucher, $5; Dayton: Grace, $5; Raper, $5; St. Paul's, $3.13; Middletown; Broadway, $1; Oxford, $1.50; Springfield: Central, $2.50; High Street, $4; St. Paul, $4; Urbana: First Church, $2. Total, $33.13.

Rest Home.—Cincinnati: Walnut Hills, $3. Total, $3.

Loan Fund.—Dayton: Raper, $2. Total, $2.

Total to Special Fund, ... $1,902.32.
Grand total, ... 4,416.54.

Colorado Conference.

MRS. D. K. LEE, Treasurer, 1763 William Street, Denver, Colorado.

General Fund.—DENVER DISTRICT.—Denver: Asbury, $23.20; Circle, $7; Christ Church, $40; Fifth Avenue, $14; Grace, $30.25; Littleton, $1.80; St. James, $4; Simpson, $9; Trinity, $34.50; University Park, $17.65; Wheat Ridge, $19. Total, $200.40.

GREELEY DISTRICT.—Greeley, $18.25; Sterling and Atwood, $53; Wray, $5. Total, $76.25.

PUEBLO DISTRICT.—Colorado Springs, $37; Pueblo: Broadway, $34.75; First Church, $12. Total, $83.75.

SALIDA DISTRICT.—Carson City, $11.75; Delta, $14.25; Grand Junction, $8.10; Salida, $6.25. Total, $40.35.
Mothers' Jewels, $2.85. Total, $2.85.
Mite-boxes, voucher, $18.94. Total, $18.94.
Total General Fund, ... $422.54.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.*—Delta, $7.25; Denver: Asbury, $5; Christ Church, $5; University Park, $5.25; Trinity, $10; Florence, $15; Pueblo: Broadway, $5; First Church, $5; Conference Auxiliary, $5; From Conference Treasurer, $10.
Total Special General Fund, ... $72.50.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Alaska.*—Pueblo; Michigan Street, $20. Total, $20.
King Home.—Denver: Afro-American Band, voucher, $25. Total, $25.
Mothers' Jewels Home.—Central Springs, $10; Denver: Christ Church, $5; Vouchers, $18.65. Total, $33.65.
Total Beneficiary Funds, ... $78.65.

Special Fund.—*To Dulce.*—Denver: Asbury, $2; Fifth Avenue, $6.75; Grace, $10.72; University Park, $10.70; First Church, $5; Without special credits, $9.83; from Conference Treasurer, $10. Total, $55.
Harwood Home.—By voucher, $164.44. Total, $164.44.
Jesse Lee Home.—Pueblo: Broadway, $25. Total, $25.
Total Special Fund, ... $244.44.
Grand total, ... 818.13.

Columbia River Conference.

MRS. EMMA M. WOOD, Treasurer, The Dalles, Oregon.

General Fund.—*Walla Walla District.*—Milton, $4.75; Pasco, $1; Pendleton, $3; Walla Walla, $7.25; Without special credits, $54.25.
Total General Fund, ... $70.25.
Grand total, ... 70.25.

Des Moines Conference.

MRS. E. M. HOLMES, Treasurer, Boone, Iowa.

General Fund.—BOONE DISTRICT.—Bethel Church, $11.25; Carroll, $20; Collins, $2; Dallas Center, $16.25; Grand Junction, $13.10; Collection, $1.59; Jefferson, $15.50; Mt. Horeb, $2.50. Total, $82.19.
CRESTON DISTRICT.—Elliott, $8. Total, $8.
COUNCIL BLUFFS DISTRICT.—Missouri Valley, $3. Total, $3.
DES MOINES DISTRICT.—Des Moines: Capital Park, $6; First Church, $28.75; Wesley, $20.38; Indianola, $1. Total, $56.13.
Mite-boxes, $8.11; Conference gatherings, $27.88; Mothers' Jewels, 20 cents. Total, $36.19.
Total General Fund, ... $185.51.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.*—Des Moines: First Church, $15; Grand Junction, $10; Jefferson, $5.25; Westerville, $1.
Total Special General Fund, ... $31.25.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Oriental Work, San Francisco.*—Carroll, $1; Des Moines: Capital Park, $2.20; First Church, $1; Dallas Center, $9.70;

Elliott, $1; Grand Junction, $4; Jefferson, $3.55; Missouri Valley, $2; Mrs. Kate Creager, $2.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $26.45.

Special Fund.—*Deaconess Home, Des Moines.*—Des Moines: Capital Park, $3; First Church, $5; Grand Junction and Norwalk, $3.26; Wesley, $4.25; Conference, by voucher, $112.80. Total, $128.31.

Mothers' Jewels Home.—Collected by Mrs. Alice Warner.

ATLANTIC DISTRICT.—Audubon, $37.45; Anderson Circuit, $16.11; Exira, $21.25; De Soto, $23.70; Carson, $11.15; Henderson, $26.80; Wyota, $4. Total, $140.46.

BOONE DISTRICT.—Conference, $11.75; Boone: Marion Street, $12.85; Bayard, $41.95; Bonton, $31.85; Cambridge, $12.25; Coons Rapids, $23.73; Dallas Center, $28; Dedham, $34.10; Grand Junction, $27; Jefferson, $34 35; Henderson, $5.85; Manning, $10.35; Minburn, $24; Ogden, $6; Perry, $9.80; Scranton, $53.10; Woodward, $39.80; Yale, $7.05. Total, $413.78.

COUNCIL BLUFFS DISTRICT.—Anderson, $3.50; Coin, $39.40; Farragut, $10.85; Glenwood, $7.10; Hamburg, $7.35; Hillsdale, $15.25; Randolph, $17.05; Farmer City, $11. Total, $111.50.

CANTON DISTRICT.—Red Oak, $18.37. Total, $18.37.

CHARITON DISTRICT.—Diagonal, $21.65. Total, $21.65.

Total Special Fund, ... $834.07.
Grand total, ... 1,077.28.

Detroit Conference.

MRS. C. H. MORGAN, Treasurer, Vassar, Mich.

General Fund.—REPORTED BY DISTRICTS.—Adrian, $367.89; Bay City, $198.04; Detroit, $624.13; Southfield, $2; Flint, $330.70; Lake Superior, $68.45; Port Huron, $140.77; Saginaw, $208.53; Thank-offerings, $4.14; Aged Ladies' Home, Detroit, 75 cents; Conference for Annual Reports, $15; Mothers' Jewels, $21.22. Total, $1,981.62.

Expended in Districts in the Conference, $385.73. Total, $385.73.

Total General Fund, ... $2,367.35.

Of the above amount, $817.61 was received by voucher.

Special General Fund.—BY DISTRICTS.—Detroit, $3; Flint, $5; Saginaw, $1. Total, $9.

Emergency Fund.—Adrian, $25; Ann Arbor, $35; Mrs. Phœbe Beal, $5; Clayton, $5; Crosswell, $3; Detroit, $5; Cass Avenue, $55 ($20 to be used on salary at Ritter Home); Mrs. Ninde, $5; Central Avenue, $30; Haven, $5; Hudson Avenue, $5; Lincoln Avenue, $3.50; Palmer Memorial, $5; Preston, $5; Simpson, $10; Tabernacle, $5; Wyandotte, $5; Grayling, $5; Milford, $11; Fenton, $5; Flint District, $5; Northville, $5; Rollin Center, $10; Vassar, $8; West Bay City, $10; West Bloomfield, $10; Ypsilanti, $39.50. Total, $320.

Total Special General Fund, ... $329.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Harwood Home.*—Mrs. Geo. O. Robinson, $5. Total, $5.

Mothers' Jewels Home.—Detroit: Cass Avenue, $65; Preston, $17.64; Lincoln Avenue, $6.85. (All received by voucher.) Total, $89.49.

Peck Home.—Flushing, $5. Total, $5.

Ritter Home.—Detroit: Cass Avenue, $20. Total, $20.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $119.49.

Special Fund.—*Asheville.*—Detroit: Cass Avenue, $7; Central Avenue, $10; Haven, $2; Lincoln, $2; Tabernacle, $1; Bay City: Madison Avenue, $10; West Bay City, $5. Total, $37.

Deaconess Home, Detroit.—Detroit District, $477.73; Detroit: Cass Avenue, $127.85; Central, $87; Lincoln Avenue, $3; Preston, $25; Simpson, $13.55; Haven, $1; Plymouth, $20.87; George O. Robinson, traveling expenses of Miss McLennan, $50; Reported without special credits, $858.22. (All received by voucher.) Total, $1,664.22.

Deaconess Rest Home.—Mrs. George O. Robinson, $10; Bishop Ninde, $3. (Vouchers.) Total, $13.

FRONTIER WORK.—Adrian, $27.68; Ann Arbor, $27; Armada, $15.05; Bay City: Madison Avenue, $54.41; Detroit: Simpson, $36.69; Detroit District, $46.28; Lake Superior District, $8; Napoleon, $5; Saginaw: Jefferson Street, $6.55; Saginaw District, $19; West Bloomfield, $43; Reported without special credits, $849.22. (All received by voucher.) Total, $1,137.88.

Haven Home.—Detroit: Simpson, $9.60; Fenton, $2. (Vouchers.) Total, $11.60.

Loan Library, Detroit.—BY DISTRICTS.—Adrian, $18.03; Bay City, $15.75; Detroit, $12.30; Lake Superior, $2.50; Port Huron, $1; Saginaw, $2; Conference, $40.24. (All received by voucher.) Total, $91.82.

Marcy Home.—Adrian, $5; Saline: Circle, $1.40. Total, $6.40.

Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—Furnishing, $10. Total, $10.

Tillman Avenue Mission.—Conference, voucher, $21.10. Total, $21.10.

Total Special Fund, ... $2,993.02.
Grand total, ... 5,808.86.
Local Work, ... 1,621.31.

East Maine Conference.

MRS. H. E. FOSS, Treasurer, Bangor, Maine.

General Fund.—BANGOR DISTRICT.—Bangor: First Church, $1; Edmunds, $1; North Penobscot, $1. Total, $3.

BUCKSPORT DISTRICT.—Bucksport, $5.50; Mrs. P. S. Allen, toward life member, $5; West Pembroke, $1. Total, $11.50.

CONFERENCE GATHERINGS, $19. Total, $19.

Total General Fund, ... $33.50.
Grand total, ... 33.50.

East Ohio Conference.

MRS. E. K. ARTER, Treasurer, 1922 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio.

General Fund.—AKRON DISTRICT.—Akron: First Church, $158.50; Bedford, $17.75; Brimfield, bequest, $50; Bristolville, $20.50; Cleveland: Woodland Avenue, $15; Scoville Avenue, $12; Randolph, $6.80; Warren, $61.10. Total, $341.65.

BARNESVILLE DISTRICT.—Barnesville, $31.25; Bellaire, $10.50. Total, $41.75.

CAMBRIDGE DISTRICT.—Cambridge, $101.16; Dexter City, $13.75; Macksburg, $2.73; McConnellsville, $27.25. Total, $144.89.

CANTON DISTRICT.—Alliance, $42; Canton: First Church, $23; Massillon, $23.25; Salem, Circle, $30.75. Total, $119.

CLEVELAND DISTRICT.—Cleveland: Asbury, $10; Atwater, $2.50; Broadway, $5; Epworth, $50; Euclid Avenue, $32; Fairmount, $17; First Church, $38; Grace, $16.70; Wade Park, $22.75; Wilson Avenue, $32.75; Woodland, $12.83; Thompson, $4; Geneva: First Church, $33.25; Second

Church, $7; Little Mountain, $10.75; Mayfield, $11; Mentor, $7; North Madison, $5; Painesville, $21.36; Perry, $19.50; Saybrook, $3. Total, $361.39.

NEW PHILADELPHIA DISTRICT.—Coshocton, $26; Uhrichsville, $18.50. Total, $44.50.

STEUBENVILLE DISTRICT.—East Liverpool, $25; Martin's Ferry, $35.76; Mingo Junction, $18; Steubenville: First Church, $16; Hamline, $25.25; Wellsville, $32. Total, $152.01.

YOUNGSTOWN DISTRICT.—Ashtabula, $29.65; Amboy, $6; Clark's Corners, $7; Cortland, $24.50; Conneaut, $8; Circle, $3.55; Dorset, $16.25; Greene, $6; Greensburg, $22; Gustavus, $7.25; Jefferson, $22.25; Johnsonville, $5.75; Kelloggsville, $3; Band, $2.25; Kingsville, $16.50; Mesopotamia, $5; West Mecca, $4.75; Windsor, $2. Total, $191.70.

Leaflet Fund, $1.75. Total, $1.75.

Mite-boxes, $63.53. Total, $63.53.

Mothers' Jewels, $14.40. Total, $14.40.

Total General Fund, ... $1,476.57.

Special General Fund. — *Missionaries' Salaries.* — Akron: First Church, $106.66; Cleveland: Euclid Avenue, $5; Martin's Ferry, $8.08; Mesopotamia, $20; Philadelphia District, $9; to Child's Paper, $1. Total, $149.74.

Emergency Fund.—Akron: First Church, $8; Alliance: First Church, $5; Cambridge, $34; Canton, $5; Cleveland: Epworth, $1; Euclid Avenue, $5; Mrs. Arter, $5; First Church, $30; Wade Park, $5; Dexter City, $10; Geneva: First Church, $4; Jefferson, $8.15; Kingsville, $5; Massillon, $8.20; Martin's Ferry, $2.70; Mayfield, $10; Painesville, $24.27; Salem, $4.50; Circle, $15; Jennie Strawn, $5; Wellsville, $5; without special credits, $10. Total, $209.82.

Total Special General Fund, ... $359.56.

Beneficiary Fund.—*A. M. Smith Home.*—Dexter City, $10; Steubenville, $5. Total, $15.

King Home.—Ashtabula, $8.75; Dexter City, $5; Dorset, $3. Total, $16.75.

Albuquerque.—Jefferson, $8. Total, $8.

Mothers' Jewels Home.—Salem Junior League, $2.30. Total, $2.30.

New Jersey Home.—Cleveland: Broadway, Circle, $22.50. Total, $22.50.

Oriental Work, San Francisco.—Akron: First Church, $28.75. Total, $28.75.

Peck Home.—Alliance: First Church, $20; Canton: First Church, $40; Uhrichsville, $15; voucher, $30. Total, $105.

Ritter Home.—Dexter City, $5; East Liverpool, $10; Warren, $15; Wellsville, $40; Alice Izant, $15. Total, $85.

Stickney Home.—Salem, $15.15; Circle, $24.85. Total, $40.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $323.30.

Special Fund.—*A. M. Smith Home.*—Cleveland: First Church, $40. Total, $40.

Deaconess Home, Cleveland.—Conference vouchers, $655.02. Total, $655.02.

Deaconess Fund.—Coshocton, $8. Total, $8

Frontier Work.—Alliance, voucher, $2.50. Total, $2.50.

Jesse Lee Home.—Akron: First Church, $50. Total, $50.

King Home.—Akron: First Church, $50; Cleveland: Wade Park, $10. Total, $60.

Mothers' Jewels Home.—Fairmount, $10; Salem, $10; Wade Park, $10. Total, $30.

Total Special Fund, ... $845.52.
Grand total, ... 3,004.95.

East Tennessee Conference.

MRS. CORA PROVINE, Treasurer, Bristol Tenn.

General Fund.—BRISTOL DISTRICT.—Lee Street, $34.75; Tate, $3.85. Total, $38.60.

CHATTANOOGA DISTRICT.—Chattanooga: Wiley Memorial, $5. Total, $5.

KNOXVILLE DISTRICT.—Knoxville: Mabry Street Band, $2; Boyd, 75 cents; Band, $1; Bethel, $7; Band, $2.80. Total, $13.55.

WYTHEVILLE DISTRICT.—Radford, $3.50; Band, 50 cents; Pulaski, $8; Tiptop, $1. Total, $13.

Total General Fund, ... $70.15.
Grand total, ... 70.15.

Erie Conference.

MRS. F. H. BECK, Treasurer, Brookville, Pennsylvania.

General Fund.—CLARION DISTRICT.—Brockwayville, $4.75; Brookville, $28.55; Clarion, $10.25; East Brady, $21.35; Reynoldsville, $9. Total, $73.90.

ERIE DISTRICT.—Brockton, $13; Chautauqua, $20.75; East Springfield, $9.50; Erie: First Church, $55.50; Simpson Church, $22.90; Forestville, $13; Fredonia, $33.20; Mayville, $13.50; Northeast, $18.50; Portland, $14.25; Silver Creek, $35.75: Wesleyville, $1; Westfield, $8. Total, $258.85.

FRANKLIN DISTRICT.—Franklin, $53.80; life member, $10; Oil City: Grace, $38.50; Trinity, $34; Petrolia, $20.50; Reno, $2; Tidioute, $20.50; Tionesta, $16.75; Circle, $2.62; Titusville, $27. Total, $225.67.

JAMESTOWN DISTRICT.—Cattaraugus, $1; Corry, $23.90; Circle, 40 cts.; East Randolph, $12.75; Jamestown, $70; Circle, $11; Kane, $27; Panama, $25; Warren, $44.75. Total, $215.80.

MEADVILLE DISTRICT.—Cambridgeboro, $20; Center Chapel, $3.50; Conneautville, $8.65; Espyville, $14; Circle, $1; Greenville, $29.50; Meadville: First Church, $35; State Street, $2.25; Mill Village, Circle, $8.20; Spartansburg, $2; Union City, $28.46; Woodcock, $16. Total, $168.56.

NEW CASTLE DISTRICT.—Balm, $5.50; Clarksville, $1; Fredonia, $4; Grove City, $22; Hillsville, $16; Mt. Pleasant, $3; New Castle: First Church, $25.30; Nazareth, $2. Total, $78.80.

Conference Gatherings, $33. Total, $33.
Leaflet Fund, 25 cents. Total, 25 cents.
Mite-boxes, $16.71. Total, $16.71.
Mothers' Jewels, $9.80. Total, $9.80.

Total General Fund, ... $1,081.34.

Special General Fund.—Erie: First Church, $19.04; Oil City: Trinity, $15; Warren, $25; interest from Barbour bequest, $9; Meadville: First Church, $5. Total, $73.04.

Emergency Fund.—Cattaraugus, $2; Chautauqua, $16; Clarion, $10; East Springfield, $15; Erie, $5; Simpson, $5; Mrs. B. A. Smith, $5; Mrs. Sullivan, $5; Franklin, $20; Grove City, $5; Hillsville, $25; Jamestown, $40; Kane, $13.50; Mayville, $1; Meadville: First Church, $5; Oil City: Grace Church, $40; Trinity, $5; Panama, $5; Portland, $1; Tidioute, $5; Tionesta, Circle, $3.50; Epworth League, $2; Synergians, $5; Warren, $13.06; Circle, $12.09; Westfield, $1. Total, $265.15.

Total Special General Fund, ... $338.19.

Beneficiary Fund.—Dulce, a friend, $5. Total, $5.

Jesse Lee Home.—Brockton, $4; Brookville, $4; Chautauqua, $1; East Springfield, $1; Erie: First Church, $7; Simpson, $2; East Brady, $1.50; Corry, $2.50; Franklin, $3; Fredonia, $5; Forestville, 25 cents; Jamestown, $10; Kane, $2.50; Mayville, 31 cents; Meadville; First Church, $4.50; Northeast, $4; Oil City: Grace, $3.75; Panama, $1; Petrolia, $1; Portland, 50 cents; Silver Creek, $4; Warren, $50; Tidioute, 75 cents; Tionesta, $2. Total, $115.56.

Mothers' Jewels Home.—Oil City: Trinity, $50; Reno, Band, $1. Total, $51.

Stickney Home.—Balm, $4; Charlestown Epworth League, $1; Clarksville, $2; Grove City, $5.02; Hillsville, $7; New Castle: First Church, $20; Oil City: Trinity, $10; Kane, Primary Sunday-school, $5.08; Tidioute, $15; Nazareth, $5. Total, $74.10.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $245.66.

Special Fund.—Asheville: Brockton, $6; Brookville, $6; Cambridgeboro, $7; Chautauqua, $2; Clarion, $10; Corry, $7.50; East Brady, $4.50; East Springfield, $1.50; Erie: First Church, $11; Simpson, $2; Forestville, 75 cents; Franklin, $9; Fredonia, $10; Kane, $7.50; Mayville, 94 cents; Meadville: First Church, $13.50; Mill Village, $3; Circle, $1.50; Northeast, $6; Oil City: Grace, $11.25; Panama, $3; Petrolia, $3; Portland, $1.50; Silver Creek, $6; Spartansburg, $2; Tidioute, $2.25; Tionesta, $4.50; Union City, $7. Total, $150.19.

Deaconess Home, Pittsburg.—Oil City: Trinity, $10. Total, $10.

Jesse Lee Home.—A friend, through Mrs. Beiler, $150; Titusville, $15; Circle, $10. Total, $175.

Jewett, New Mexico.—Chautauqua, 10 cents. Total, 10 cents.

Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—Reno, $1. Total, $1.

E. E. Marcy Home.—Warren, $5. Total, $5.

Peck Home.—Corry, $5; Warren, Circle, $20. Total, $25.

Total Special Fund, ... $366.29.
Grand total, ... 2,031.48.
Local Work, ... 192.44.

Florida Conference.

MRS. W. J. SALMOND, Treasurer, Jacksonville, Fla.

General Fund.—GAINESVILLE DISTRICT.—Jonesville, $1.75; Waldo, $4. Total, $5.75.

JACKSONVILLE DISTRICT.—Jacksonville: Boylan Home, $3.90; Fernandina, $1.45; St. Augustine, $6; Simpson Church, $3.50; Wrightsville, $1.90; through Mrs. Whetstone, voucher, $45.60. Total, $62.35.

PALATKA DISTRICT.—Ocala, $11.59. Total, $11.59.

Total General Fund, ... $79.69.

Special Fund.—*Harwood Home.*—St. Nicholas, $10, voucher.

Total Special Fund, ... $10.00.
Grand total, ... 89.69.

Genessee Conference.

MRS. C. E. MILLSPAUGH, Treasurer, Albion, New York.

General Fund.—BUFFALO DISTRICT.—Buffalo: Asbury, $43; Central Park, $14; Delaware Avenue, $54; Young Ladies' Branch, $23.20; Grace, Circle, $1.10; Hampshire Street, $4.95; Kenmore, $9.50; Linwood, $62;

Circle, $8; Plymouth, $50; Richmond Avenue, $50.95; Circle, $1.50; Riverside, $31.50; St. Marks, $10; Circle, $8; Seneca Street, $35.50; Sentinel, $16; North Tonawanda, $28. Total, $451.20.

CORNING DISTRICT. — Addison, $11.40; Bath, $19; Canisteo, $19.25; Corning, $55; Hornellsville: Park Church, $35; life-member, $20; Woodhull, $8.50. Total, $168.15.

GENESEE DISTRICT.—Batavia, $60; Dansville, $6.50; Geneseo, $27.75; Perry, $15.76; Scottsville, Band, $3.05; Silver Springs, $21; Warsaw, $15. Total, $149.06.

NIAGARA DISTRICT.—Albion, $20; Brockport, $22.50; Holley, $12.50; Lockport: First Church, $11; Lyndonville, $5; Middleport, Circle, $2,82; Spencerport, $2.50. Total, $76.32.

OLEAN DISTRICT.—Bradford: First Church, $19.40; Olean: First Church, $25.11; Pleasant Valley, $17.75; Portville, $9.30; Wellsville, $11.75. Total, $83.31.

ROCHESTER DISTRICT.—Honeoye Falls, $30; Lima, $24; Livonia Station, $11; Rochester: Asbury, $53; life-members, $40; Circle, $6; Cornhill, $60.50; Epworth, $33.20; First Church, $48.25; Frank Street, $50; Circle, $4.75; Glenwood, $37.50; Monroe Avenue, $33.50; North Avenue, $20; Springwater, $36.55; Walworth, $15.50. Total, $503.75.

Conference Collections, $13.12. Total, $13.12.

Mothers' Jewels, $9.17. Total, $9.17.

Mite-boxes, $34.20. Total, $34.20.

Leaflet Fund, $3. Total, $3.

Total General Fund, ... $1,491.28.

Special General Fund.—*Teachers' Salaries.*—Buffalo: Delaware Avenue, $25; Lockport: First Church, $1; Olean: First Church, $1; Rochester: Epworth, $5; First Church, $13.25; Glenwood, $9.61; Walworth, $5. Total, $59.86.

Emergency Fund.—Buffalo: Delaware Avenue, $66; Cornhill, $5; Plymouth, $10; Junior League, $10; Mrs. T. T. Rowe, $5; Albion, $5; a friend, $2.50; Ruth Worthington, $5; Rochester: Asbury, $1; First Church, $13.76; Frank Street, $7.86; Glenwood, $5; Monroe Avenue, $5; Honeoye Falls, $1; Lockport, 50 cents; Perry, $1.30; Pleasant Valley, $4.30. Total, $148.22.

Total Special General Fund, ... $208.08.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Asheville.*—Canisteo, $10. Total, $10.

Browning Home.—Silver Springs, $40. Total, $40.

Ritter Home.—Buffalo: Delaware Avenue, $40; Corning, $15; Rochester: Frank Street, Band, $20. Total, $75.

Stickney Home.—Bath, $10; Corning, $3. Total, $13.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $138.

Special Fund.—*Asheville.* — Buffalo: Asbury, $5; Delaware Avenue, $15; Linwood Avenue, $5; Plymouth, $5; Richmond Avenue, $5; Riverside, $5; Sentinel, $3; Albion, $5; Batavia, $5; Brockport, $5; Middleport, $2; North Tonawanda, $5; Olean: Pleasant Valley, $6.50; Rochester: Asbury, $5; Cornhill, $5; Epworth, $3; First Church, $10; Frank Street, $5; Glenwood, $33; Hampshire Street, $2; Kenmore, $2; Monroe Avenue, $5; collections, $2.73; Spencerport, $2. Total, $146.23.

Deaconess Home, Buffalo.—Conference, $988.39; Brockport, 2; Churchville, $13.52; Wilson, $10. (All received by voucher.) Total, $1,013.91.

To Jesse Lee Home.—Canisteo, $5; Honeoye Falls, $25; Geneseo, $25; Lima, $11. Total, $66.

Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—Buffalo: Richmond Avenue, $1; Rochester: Asbury, $1; Walworth, $1. Total, $3.
Peck Home.—East Aurora, $10. Total, $10.

Total Special Fund, ... $1,239.11.
Grand total, ... 3,076.50.
Local Work, ... 223.60.

Holston Conference.

MRS. ALTA A. HEAP, Treasurer, Knoxville, Tenn.

General Fund.—ATHENS DISTRICT.—Athens, $18.50; Thank-offering, $15; from sale of baking powder, $6. Total, $39.50.
KNOXVILLE DISTRICT. — Knoxville: First Church, $24.88; Asylum Street, $3.75; Second Church, $1.26; life-member, $20; Conference, $5. Total, $49.89.

Total General Fund, ... $94.39.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.* — Young ladies at Ritter Home, $45.

Total Special General Fund, ... $45.00.

Special Fund.—Deaconess work in Knoxville, by voucher, $653.58.

Total Special Fund, ... $653.58.
Grand total, ... 792.97.
Local Work, ... 106.38.

Idaho Conference.

MRS. M. C. THOMPSON, Treasurer, Pocatello, Idaho.

General Fund.—Conference gatherings, through Curts & Jennings, $8. Total, $8.

Total General Fund, ... $8.

Illinois Conference.

MRS. SARA E. KING, Treasurer, 719 North Main Street, Decatur, Illinois.

General Fund. — BLOOMINGTON DISTRICT. — Bloomington: First Church, $63.50; Grace, $27; Band, 40 cents; Farmer's City, $14; Leroy, $13; Lincoln, $22.50; Saybrook, $11.25. Total, $151.65.
CHAMPAIGN DISTRICT.—Champaign: First Church, $14.74; Farmer's, $4; Saybrook, $7.50; Savoy, $14.50; Tolona, $2.25; Urbana, $20.25. Total, $63.24.
DANVILLE DISTRICT.—Danville: First Church, $24; Rossville, $11.75; Sidney, $15.75. Total, $51.50.
DECATUR DISTRICT.—Decatur: First Church, $32.78; Grace, $29.75. Total, $62.53.
JACKSONVILLE DISTRICT.—Greenfield, $12; Jacksonville: Centenary, $23; Grace, $65; Manchester, $5.71. Total, $105.71.
MATTOON DISTRICT.—Carrollton, $16.50; Paris: North Avenue, $5.50. Total, $22.
SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.—Carlinville, $30; Circle, $3.50; Springfield: First Church, $90.50; Band, $4.49; Second Church, $20. Total, $148.49.
Leaflet Fund, $25.28. Total, $25.28.
Mothers' Jewels, $1.75. Total, $1.75.

Total General Fund, ... $632 15.

Special General Fund.—Bloomington: Grace, $28.40, Decatur: First Church, 87 cents; Grace, $5; Savoy, $1. Total, $35.27.

Emergency Fund.—Bloomington: First Church, $13; Grace, $10; Carlinville, $12; Champaign: First Church, $5; Greenfield, $5; Jacksonville: Centenary, $5; Grace, $17.75; Lincoln, $10; Savoy, $1.20; Springfield: First Church, $32.54; Second Church, $5; Circle, $5; Urbana, $25.83. Total, $147.32.

Total to Special Fund, ... $182.59.

Special Fund.—*Albuquerque.*—Decatur: First Church, $5; Jacksonville: Grace, $5; Springfield: First Church, $24. Total, $34.

Oriental Work.—Bloomington: First Church, $5; Decatur: First Church, $5; Grace, $15; Jacksonville: Grace, $5; Circle, $10; Rossville, $2; Saybrook, $5; Springfield: First Church, $5. Total, $52.

Deaconess Home, Urbana.—Conference, $241.96. (Vouchers.) Total, $241.96.

Immigrant Home, New York.—Bloomington, $10; Decatur: Grace, $10; First Church, $5; Jacksonville: Grace, $13.75; Centenary, $6; Rossville, $5; Saybrook, $5; Springfield: First Church, $10; without special credits, $3. Total, $67.75.

Jesse Lee Home.—Jacksonville: Grace, $5; Springfield: First Church, $10. Total, $15.

E. E. Marcy Home.—Bloomington: First Church, $10; Decatur: First Church, $5; Grace, $10; Jacksonville: Centenary, $2.10; Grace, $6.25; Rossville, $5; Saybrook, $5; Springfield: First Church, $10. Total, $53.35.

Navajoes.—Springfield: First Church, $45; Decatur: Grace, $10. Total, $55.

Stickney Home.—Jacksonville: Grace, $5; Springfield: First Church, $5. Total, $10.

Utah.—Bloomington: First Church, $5; Jacksonville: Grace, $7.25; Saybrook, $5; Springfield: First Church, $10. Total, $27.25.

Total Special Fund, ... $556.31.
Grand total, ... 1,371.05.
Local Work, ... 59.58.

Indiana Conference.

CLARA S. CHAFEE, Treasurer, 379 Home Avenue, Indianapolis, Indiana.

General Fund.—CONNERSVILLE DISTRICT.—Brookville, $16; Connersville, $84.80; College Corner, $18.50; Robinson Chapel, $9.25; Rushville, $9. Total, $137.55.

EAST INDIANAPOLIS DISTRICT.—Edinburg: Pisgah Church, $3.25; Franklin, $21.25; Indianapolis: Broad Ripple, $4; Central Avenue, $78.25; Edwin Ray, $18.70; Hall Place, $70.50; Greenwood, $3; Lincoln Avenue, $1; Roberts Park, $40; Woodside, 75 cents; Mooresville, $7.50; Shelbyville: First Church, $41.25; Circle, $9.50; West Street, $14.50; Circle, $2.50; West Shelbyville, $3.50. Total, $319.45.

WEST INDIANAPOLIS DISTRICT.—Mooreville, $27.25. Total, $27.25.

JEFFERSONVILLE DISTRICT.—Seymour, $18.85. Total, $18.85.

MOORES HILL DISTRICT.—Aurora, $18.50; Greensburg: First Church, $38.45; Lawrenceburg, $29.75; Rising Sun, $41; Vevay, $5.25. Total, $132.95.

Leaflet Fund, $1. Total, $1.

Mite-boxes, $15.98. Total, $15.98.

Total General Fund, ... $653.03.

Special General Fund. — *Emergency Fund.*—Indianapolis: Central Avenue, $5; Roberts Park, $20; St. Paul's, $5; Greensburg: First Church, $5.

Total Special General Fund, ... $35.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Bennett Home.*—Roberts Park, $40. Total, $40.
Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—Connersville, $2.50; College Corner, $1; Indianapolis: Central Avenue, $1; Hall Place, $1; Shelbyville, $1. Total, $6.50.
Oriental Work, San Francisco. — College Corner, $9; Shelbyville: First Church, $5. Total, $14.
Ritter Home.—Roberts Park, $30; Lawrenceburg, $3. Total, $33.
Simpson Home.—Connersville, $20. Total, $20.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $113.50.

Special Fund.—*Asheville.* — Brookville, $5.50; College Corner, $5; Connersville, $47; Franklin, $9.60; Greensburg: First Church, $53; Indianapolis: Central Avenue, $50; Edwin Ray, $17; Hall Place, $66; Lawrenceburg, $10; Lincoln, $1; Moores Hill, $5; Robinson Chapel, $3; Seymour, $25; Shelbyville: First Church, $44.40; West Street, $5.75; Circle, $10. Total, $357.25.
Jesse Lee Home.—College Corner, 50 cents. Total, 50 cents.
Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—Roberts Park, $1; Connersville, $2.80. Total, $3.80.
Oriental Work, San Francisco.—College Corner, $1; Indianapolis District, $5, voucher. Total, $6.

Total Special Fund, ... $367.55.
Grand total, ... 1,169.08.
Local Work, ... 83.25.

Iowa Conference.

MRS. W. F. COWLES, Treasurer, 707 Summer Street, Burlington, Iowa.

General Fund.—BURLINGTON DISTRICT.—Burlington: First Church, $27.75; Grace Church, $17; Morning Sun, $6.50; Mount Pleasant, $39.85; Fort Madison, $3.50; West Point, $5.85. Total, $100.45.
KEOKUK DISTRICT.—Chatham Square, $5.50; Salina, $3; gifts, $3. Total, $11.50.
MUSCATINE DISTRICT.—Marengo, $16.75; Muscatine: First Church, $31; Nichols, $2; North English, $1; Oxford, $2; Washington, $54.80; Wellman, $3; Williamsburg, $7.50; Wilton Junction, $18.75; West Liberty, $2.75; other contributions, $4.25. Total, $143.80.
OSKALOOSA DISTRICT.—Brooklyn, $18.25; Grinnell, $18; Montezuma, $16.70; gift, $1. Total, $53.95.
OTTUMWA DISTRICT.—Albia, $14; Fremont, $4; Hedrick, $6.25; Knoxville, $26.75; Lovilla, $11; Ottumwa: First Church, $53; Sigourney, $4; gifts, $3. Total, $122.
Collections by Mrs. Murphy.—Ft. Madison, $3.82; Keokuk: Chatham Square, $1.85; First Church, $2.88. Total, $8.55.
Leaflet Fund, 50 cents. Total, 50 cents.
Mothers' Jewels, $11.80. Total, $11.80.

Total General Fund, ... $452.55.

Special General Fund.—*Collections by Mrs. Murphy.*—Albia, $4.87; Lovilla, $1; Sigourney, $2.05; Ottumwa, $5; other amounts, $9. Total, $21.92.
Emergency Fund.—Burlington: Grace Church, $5; Knoxville, $5; Muscatine: First Church, $5; Montezuma, $5; Ottumwa: First Church, $5. Total, $25.

Total Special General Fund, ... $46.92.

Beneficiary Fund. — *Adeline Smith Home.* — Washington, $60, voucher. Total, $60.

Jesse Lee Home.—Montezuma, $4.90; Marengo, $10; Mount Pleasant, $17; Muscatine, $25; Ottumwa: First Church, $20; Washington, $25; Wellman, $1; West Liberty, $10; Wilton Junction, $10.52; through Mrs. Murphy, $1. Total, $124.42.

Oriental Work, San Francisco.—Burlington: Grace, $4.50; Grinnell, $5; Knoxville, $21; Sigourney, 50 cents; through Mrs. Murphy, 50 cents. Total, $31.50.

Stickney Home.—Burlington: First Church, $19; Grace, $6.31; Mt. Pleasant, $20. Total, $45.31.

Utah.—Marengo, $23.87; Wilton, $6.98. Total, $30.85.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $292.08.

Special Fund.—*Deaconess Home, Des Moines.* — Burlington: First Church, $5; Centerville, $5; Grinnell, $1.50; Montezuma, $1; Mount Pleasant, $1.50; Ottumwa: First Church, $8; Washington, $5; Wilton Junction, $2.50. Total, $29.50.

Harwood Home.—Through Mrs. Murphy, $10. Total, $10.

Jesse Lee Home.—Albia, $10. Total, $10.

Total Special Fund, ... $49.50.

Grand total, ... 841.05.

Kansas Conference.

MRS. ROBERT HAWTHORN, Treasurer, 929 Kansas Avenue, Atchison, Kans.

General Fund.—ATCHISON DISTRICT.—Atchison, $29. Total, $29.

JUNCTION CITY DISTRICT.—Abilene, $10.25; Clay Center, $3; Morganville, $7. Total, $20.25.

KANSAS CITY DISTRICT.—Argentine, $15; Kansas City: Washington Avenue, $32.75; Lawrence, $20. Total, $67.75.

MANHATTAN DISTRICT.—Buck's Grove, $24.25; Centralia, $14.25; Fancy Creek, $3.50; Havensville, $6.25; Manhattan, $18.25. Total, $66.50.

TOPEKA DISTRICT.—Burlingame, $6.25; Topeka, $36. Total, $42.25.

Mrs. Jacobs, $1. Total, 1.

Mite-boxes, $10.55. Total, $10.55.

Mothers' Jewels, $1.50. Total, $1.50.

Total to General Fund, ... $238.80.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.* — Buck's Grove, $11.50; Fancy Creek, $3.47; Kansas City, $5; Manhattan, $15; Springside, $1; Conference, $20. Total, $55.97.

Teacher's Salary.—Centralia, $2.44. Total, $2.44.

Total to Special General Fund, ... $58.41.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Harwood Home.*—Buck's Grove, $10; Manhattan, $25; Topeka, $50. Total, $85.

Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—Buck's Grove, $5; Centralia, $5; Havensville, $5; Kansas City: Washington Avenue, $3.50. Total, $18.50.

Total to Beneficiary Fund, ... $103.50.

Special Fund.—*Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.*—Atchison, $5; Kansas City: Washington Avenue, $6.50; Morganville, $5; Topeka: First Church, $10. Total, $26.50.

Harwood Home.—Topeka: First Church, $108.29. Total, $108.29.

Total to Special Fund, ... $134.79.

Grand total, ... 535 50.

Local Work, ... 46.80.

Kentucky Conference.

MRS. MORRIS ESKRIDGE, Treasurer, Hardinsburg, Ky.

General Fund. — LEXINGTON DISTRICT. — Lexington: Centenary, $23.38. Total, $23.38.

LOUISVILLE DISTRICT.— Hardinsburg: Taylor Chapel, $8.80; Louisville: Trinity, $45.50. Total, $54.30.

Leaflet Fund, 25 cents. Total, 25 cents.

Total to General Fund, ... $77.93.

Special General Fund.—*To Emergency Fund.*—Lexington: Centenary, $5; Louisville: Trinity, $25; Mrs. Fannie Speed, $5; Mrs. Amos. Shinkle, $10. Total, $45.

Total to Special General Fund, ... $45.00.
Grand total, ... 122.93.
Local Work, ... 10.00.

Little Rock Conference.

MRS. E. L. JOHNSON, Treasurer, Little Rock, Arkansas.

General Fund.—FOREST CITY DISTRICT.—Cotton Plant, $1. Total, $1.

Total to General Fund, ... $1.
Grand total, ... 1.

Louisiana Conference.

MRS. R. C. MONTGOMERY, Treasurer, 3621 S. Rampart St., New Orleans, La.

General Fund.—Bastrop, $1.70; New Orleans: Mt. Zion, $3.50; Wesley Chapel, $5; Gideon Band, $5; Winan Chapel, $5.50; Conference Board, $10; Missionary Union, $16; without special credits, 32 cents. Total, $47.02.

NOTE.—The Conference Treasurer sent to the General Treasury $50.66, which came too late to appear in this report.

Special Fund.—*Peck Home*, $5. Total, $5.

Grand total, ... $52.02.

Maine Conference.

MRS. J. LUCE, Treasurer, 13 Carroll Street, Portland, Maine.

General Fund.—AUGUSTA DISTRICT.—Augusta, $11; East Livermore, $1; East Wilton, $2; Fairfield, $5; Farmington, $11; Gardiner, $12; Mite-boxes, 50 cents; Hollowell, $4.50; Kent's Hill, $13; Livermore and Hartford, $2; Monmouth, $5; Philips, $1; Readfield, $10; Richmond, $1; Skowhegan, $13.25; Waterville, $3; Wilton, $19; Winthrop, life member, $5; Mission Bands, $2. Total, $121.25.

LEWISTON DISTRICT.—Andover, $1; Baldwin and Hiram, $1; Bath: Beacon Street, $9; Wesley Chapel, $22.15; Bethel and Mason, $4; Cumberland and Falmouth, $5; East North Yarmouth, $2; Harpswell and Orrs Island, $1; Lewiston, $20; Lisbon and Lisbon Falls, $1; Mechanic's Falls, $4; North Auburn, $1; North Yarmouth, $3; Oxford and Welchville, $1; Pownal and West Dunham, $1; South Paris, $2.50. Total, $78.65.

PORTLAND DISTRICT.—Berwick, $5; Cornish, $1; Elliott, $2; Gorham, $10; Keaze Falls, $1; Knightsville, $1; North Street, $1; Old Orchard, $5.25; Peak's Island, $1; Portland: Chestnut Street, $50; Congress Street, $27; Pine Street, $22; South Portland, $8.70; Saco, $34; life members, $40; Westbrook, $11.75; Woodfords, $11; York, $2. Total, $233.70.

Bequests and Gifts, $614.84. Total, $614.84.

Total General Fund, ... $1,048.44.

Special General Fund.—*Salary.*—Hallowell, $8.18; Saco, $20. Total, $28.18.
Emergency Fund.—Kent's Hill, $5; Saco, $8; Skowhegan, $7.50. Total, $20.50.
Total Special General Fund, ... $48.68.

Beneficiary Fund.—*To Alaska.*—Portland: Chestnut Street, $2.10; Gorham, 50 cents. Total, $2.60.
Bennett Home.—Kent's Hill, $5. Total, $5.
Chinese Work.—Bath: Wesley Church, $8; Portland: Congress Street, $7. Total, $15.
Mothers' Jewels Home.—Skowhegan, $5.65. Total, $5.65.
Simpson Home.—Augusta, $1; Portland: Chestnut Street, $1. Total, $2.
Thayer Home.—Lewiston, $4; Portland: Congress Street, voucher, $10. Total, $14.
Watts de Peyster.—Portland: Chestnut Street, $10. Total, $10.
Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $54.25.

Special Fund.—*Jesse Lee Home.*—Gardner, 30 cents; Gorham, 50 cents; Farmington, $4.20. Total, $5.
Navajo.—Gardner, $2.21; Kent's Hill, $2; Skowhegan, 50 cents. Total, $4.71.
Utah.—Augusta, $2; Portland: Congress Street, $1; Madison, $5; Readfield, $5; Skowhegan, $2. Total, $15.
Total Special Fund, ... $24.71.
Grand total, ... 1,176.08.

Michigan Conference.

MRS. J. G. PLOWMAN, Treasurer, White Pigeon, Mich.

General Fund.—ALBION DISTRICT.—Albion, $76; Circle, $4.55; Battle Creek, $13.75; Bellevue, $19.58; Eckford, $9; Horner, $21.50; Band, $2.02; Jackson, $51; Kalamo, $8.75; Parma, $14.55. Total, $220.70.
BIG RAPIDS DISTRICT.—Big Rapids, $18.25; Greenville, $11.75; Manistee, $7.50; Shepherd, $2. Total, $39.50.
COLDWATER DISTRICT.—Coldwater, $13.50; Hillsdale, $15.75; Quincy, $19; Union City, $5.75; White Pigeon, $13.25. Total, $67.25.
GRAND RAPIDS DISTRICT.—Grand Rapids: Ames Church, $10; Division Street, $56.50; Guild, $4; East Street, $20; Guild, $5.50; Joy Memorial, $9.50; Plainfield Avenue, $3; Second Street, $52; Hastings, $25.75; Hesperia, $1; Whitehall, $12.05. Total, $199.30.
GRAND TRAVERSE DISTRICT.—Charlevoix, $10.75; Traverse City, $15.35. Total, $26.10.
IONIA DISTRICT.—Carson City, $11.50; Fair Plains, $7.75; Ionia, $21; Ithaca, $12; Lowell, $21.25; Orange, $18.75; Portland, $26.75; Band, $1.12. Total, $120.12.
KALAMAZOO DISTRICT.—Allegan, $16.55; Ganges, $3.25; Kalamazoo: First Church, $61.50; Simpson, $20.12; Milo, $5.75; Otsego, $12.45; Plainwell, $22.50; Three Rivers, $16.95; Trowbridge, $13.95; Vicksburg, $12.50; West Casco, $21.60. Total, $207.12.
LANSING DISTRICT.—Charlotte, $20; Lansing: First Church, $14.50; Central, $45.05; Mason, $16; Ovid, $19; St. John's, $15.75. Total, $130.30.
NILES DISTRICT.—Benton Harbor, $15.68; Coulter's Chapel, $14.85; Niles, $9.50. Total, $40.03.
Leaflet Fund, $6.75. Total, $6.75.
Miscellaneous, $27.22. Total, $27.22.
Bequest of Mrs. Gallup, $574.14. Total, $574.14.
Total General Fund, ... $1,658.53.

Special General Fund. — *Missionaries' Salaries.* — Without special credits, $179.90; Albion, $5; Circle, $5; Albion District, $5; Benton Harbor, $12.50; Big Rapids, $8.50; Cold Water, $7; Grand Rapids: Ames Church, $2.50; Division Street, $22; East Street, $5; Joy Memorial, $3; Greenville, $5.50; Jackson, $12; Hillsdale, $3; Lowell, $6; Niles, $5; Quincy, $5; Traverse City, $10; White Pigeon, $5; Conference Treasurer, $5. Total, $311.90.

Emergency Fund.—Albion, $20; Circle, $10; Big Rapids, $5; Cold Water, $5; Grand Rapids: Division Street, $1; Guild, $10; Mrs. F. A. Hall, $5; Grand Rapids District, $31; Greenville, $6; Jackson, $5; Kalamazoo: First Church, $28.75; Simpson, $5; Manistee, $6; Mason, $5; Niles District, $10; West Casco, $5; Conference Treasurer, $21.50. Total, $179.25.

Total Special General Fund, ... $491.15.

Beneficiary Fund.—*E. L. Rust Home.*—Charlotte, $5; Ithaca, $3.50; Lansing: Central, $10; Mason, $5. Total, $23.50.

Peck Home.—Kalamazoo: First Church, $30; Three Rivers, $10. Total, $40.

Ritter Home.—Albion, $35; Circle, $5; Battle Creek, $10; Bellevue, $7; Grand Rapids: Ames Church, $3; Division Street, $7; Guild, $5; East Street, $5; Joy Memorial, $5; Hastings, $10. Total, $92.

Stickney Home.—Allegan, $4; Battle Creek, $3; Kalamazoo: Simpson Church, $6; Milo, $2.30; Otsego, $8; Plainwell, $9; Trowbridge, $5; Vicksburg, $3; West Casco, $5. Total, $45.30.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $200.80.

Special Fund.—*Deaconess Home, Grand Rapids.*—Conference, $307.37. (Vouchers.) Total, $307.37.

Deaconess Work, Jackson, $26, voucher. Total, $26.

Mothers' Jewels Home.—West Casco, $5. Total, $5.

Total Special Fund, ... $338.37.

Grand total, ... 2,688.85.

Minnesota and Minnesota Northern Conferences.

MRS. D. W. LONGFELLOW, Treasurer, 3112 First Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

General Fund.—MINNEAPOLIS DISTRICT.—Minneapolis: First Church, $13.50; Foss, $10; Franklin Avenue, $21; Hennepin Avenue, $22; Simpson, $22.30; Trinity, $7.25; Wesley, $32; Western Avenue, $8.70. Total, $136.75.

ST. PAUL DISTRICT.—St. Paul: First Church, $20.25; Hamline, $10.25; Merriam Park, $9.25; Trinity, $10.25; Wesley, $12; Conference Auxiliary, $2. Total, $64.

Mite-boxes, $4.70. Total, $4.70.

Leaflet Fund, 25 cents. Total, 25 cents.

Mothers' Jewels, $5.80. Total, $5.80.

Total to General Fund, ... $211.50.

Special General Fund.—Minneapolis: First Church, $7.15; Franklin Avenue, $5.42; Wesley, $5. Total, $17.57.

Emergency Fund. — Minneapolis: First Church, $3.70; Hennepin Avenue, $55; Wesley Church, $5; Simpson, $23; Western Avenue, $6; Mrs. Roberts, $5; St. Paul: Hamline, $5; Merriam Park, $5; Mrs. A. P. Dapson, $2. Total, $109.70.

Total to Special General Fund, ... $127.27.

Beneficiary Fund.—*To Dulce, for J. A. Francisco.*—Minneapolis: Hennepin Avenue, $40. Total, $40.

Jesse Lee Home.—Minneapolis: Franklin Avenue, $50; Simpson, $50; St. Paul: Wesley, $75. Total, $175.

Ritter Home.—Minneapolis: Foss, $40; Hennepin Avenue, $40; for Maude Smith, $40; Sunday-school Class, $10; collected by Mrs. Chapman from various charges and reported by voucher, $42.87; Owatonna, $20; St. Paul: First Church, $29.85; Hamline Church, $40. Total, $262.72.

Total to Beneficiary Fund, ... $477.72.

Special Fund.—*Marcy Home.*—Minneapolis: Wesley Chapel, $5. Total, $5.

Total to Special Fund, ... $5.00.
Grand total, ... 821.49.

Missouri Conference.

MRS. PRICE A. CROW, Treasurer, Marceline, Missouri.

General Fund.—HANNIBAL DISTRICT.—Avalon, $6.75; Bowling Green, $1.30; Brookfield, $3.75; Carrollton, $1; Marceline, Circle, $5; Mexico, Circle, $2; Laddonia, $1.35; Vandalia, $5.75; Circle, $3.75; Wakenda, Circle, 77 cents. Total, $31.42.

KIRKSVILLE DISTRICT.—Kirksville, $23.50; Memphis, $5.95. Total, $29.45.

ST. JOSEPH DISTRICT.—Bethany, $1; Breckenridge, $11; Hopkins, $1; Lucerne, $1; Martinsville, $9.50; Rothvi le, $1; Savannah, $2; St. Joseph: First Church, $9. Total, $35.50.

Other Gifts.—Cameron, $1; Pattonsburg, $1; Tarkio, $1; Stewartsville, $1; Winston, $1. Total, $5.

Total General Fund, ... $101.37.

Special General Fund.—Martinsville: Thank-offering, $1.41; Emergency Fund, Mexico, $5.

Total Special General Fund, ... $6.41.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Mothers' Jewels Home.*—Kirksville, $5. Total, $5.

Ritter Home.—St. Joseph, $10. Total, $10.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $15.00.
Grand total, ... 122.78.
Local Work, ... 79.00.

Nebraska Conference.

MRS. F. M. ESTERBROOK, Treasurer, De Witt, Nebraska.

General Fund.—BEATRICE DISTRICT.—Beatrice: Centenary, $31.75; Band, $1.48; De Witt, $8; Fairbury, $11.75; Wymore, $3.75; Band, 64 cents. Total, $57.37.

HASTINGS DISTRICT.—Clay Center, $4.50; Edgar, $16; Fairfield, $12.50, Fairmount, $14.50; Geneva, $28.35. Total, $75.85.

LINCOLN DISTRICT.—Elmwood, $14; Lincoln, $17; St. Paul's, $27; Trinity, $21.50; Raymond, $13; University Place, $16.70; Valparaiso, $4; Wahoo, $1. Total, $114.20.

NEBRASKA CITY DISTRICT.—Falls City, $10; Osceola, $8.10; Palmyra, $10.50; Peru, $14.25; Plattsmouth, $3.50; Pleasant View, $2.35; Sterling, $2.50; Table Rock, $12; Tecumseh, $16; Weeping Water, $11. Total, $90.20.

YORK DISTRICT.—Bellwood, $14.55; Brainard, $5; David City, $19.50; Milford, 25 cents; Seward, $2; Waco, $12.50; York, $17.25. Total, $71.05.
SPECIAL COLLECTION from Beatrice: Centenary, $5.75; without special credit, $2.25. Total, $8.

Total General Fund, ... $416.67.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.*—University Place, $5; York, $15. Total, $20.

Total Special General Fund, ... $20.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Mothers' Jewels Home.*—Lincoln: St. Paul's, voucher, $50. Total, $50.

Total to Beneficiary Fund, ... $50.

Special Fund.—*Mothers' Jewels Home.*—By voucher.—Cook, $3.80; Lincoln: St. Paul's, $5; Trinity, $6.20; Nelson, 33 cents; Shelton, $4.47; Weeping Water, $6.50; mite-boxes from various Auxiliaries, $10.77; through Conference Treasurer, $55.27; through Mr. Spurlock, $49.43. Total, $141.77.

Money collected by Mrs. Warner for water supply.—Bennett, $13; Eagle, $15.70; Swanton, $20.95; Syracuse, $25.05; Adams, $13; Union, $10.60; gift, $2. Total, $100.30.

Total Special Fund, ... $242.07
Grand total, ... 728.74.
Local Work, ... 141.20.

Newark Conference.

MRS. CAROLINE M. BLAINE, Treasurer, 545 Orange St., Newark, N. J.

General Fund.—ELIZABETH DISTRICT.—Crawford, $23; Elizabeth: Park Church, $15.60; Circle, $3.15; Plainfield: First Church, $38.15; Circle, $3.13; Grace Church, $27; Circle, $3.50; St. James, $63.15; Circle, $2.25; Westfield, $40; Circle, $19. Total, $237.93.
JERSEY CITY DISTRICT.—Bayonne, $1.84; Bergen Point, $8.45; Jersey City: Centenary, $12; West Side Avenue, $38.25; Newton, $7.50; Englewood, $1. Total, $69.04.
NEWARK DISTRICT.—Bloomfield: Park Church, $33; East Orange Calvary, $143.33; Christophorus Band, $10.50; Golden Rule Band, $7.07; First Church, $25; Sanford Street, Junior League, $2.33; Madison, $21; Mont Clair, $78.70; Morristown, $118; Newark: Centenary, $47; Circle, $17.25; Central Church, $29; Eighth Avenue, $27.50; Halsey Street, $68; Roseville, $110.76; St. Luke's, $39; St. Paul's, $37; Trinity, $18.90; Orange: First Church, $35.50; Tabor, $7. Total, $875.84.
PATERSON DISTRICT.—Boonton, $3; Circle, $1; Newton, $4.01; Paterson: Cross Street, $20; Grace Church, $25; Market Street, $47; Washington, $22. Total, $122.01.
Mother's Jewels, $19.40. Total, $19.40.
Leaflet Fund, $7.93 + .50 = $8.43. Total, $8.43.
Children's Paper, $2. Total, $2.
Frontier Work.—Newark: Central Church, $3; Crawford, $34; East Orange: Calvary Church, $22.79; Sanford, $1.30; Conference gatherings, through Rev. A. M. Palmer, $60. Total, $121.09.

Total General Fund, ... $1,455.74.

Special General Fund.—Mrs. Kent, $20; Bloomfield, Circle, $25; East Orange: Calvary, $8; Jersey City; West Side, $6; Mont Clair, $20; Newark: St. Luke's, $3.20; Roseville, $5.50; Orange: First Church, $10. Total, $97.70

Emergency Fund.—A friend, $20; Crawford, $5; Circle, $3; Englewood, $5; East Orange: Calvary Church, $52.50; Circle, $5; Sanford Street, Junior League, $1.40; Elizabeth: St. James, $5; Jersey City: Centenary, $30; West Side Avenue, $7; Madison, $15; Morristown, $10: Newark: Centenary, $5; Halsey Street, $10; Roseville, $17.25; St. Luke's, $5; Trinity, $5; Junior League, $5.50; Orange, $5; Passaic, $8; Paterson: Market Street, $5; Cross Street, $5; Plainfield: Grace, $5; Westfield, Circle, $2.
Total, $236.65.

Total Special General Fund, ... $334.35.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Boylan Home.*—Morristown, $25; Newark: Central Church, $10; Halsey Street, $30; St. Luke's, $100; Westfield, $20. (Vouchers.) Total, $185.

Harwood Home.—Dover, $1; East Orange, Band, $15; Elizabeth: Park Church, $1 25; Jersey City: West Side Avenue, $3.56; St. Paul, $10; Mont Clair, $12; Plainfield: First Church, $9; St. James, $5; Westfield, $8.
Total, $64.81.

Jesse Lee Home.—Newark: Centenary, $55; Plainfield: First Church, $10; Roseville, $25. Total, $90.

Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—East Orange: Calvary Church, Band, $5; Englewood, $5; Jersey City: Centenary, $13; West Side Avenue, $5; District meeting, $4; Newark, St. Paul's, $5; St. Luke's, $10; Morristown, $7.25; Plainfield: Grace, $1. Total, $55.25.

Mothers' Jewels Home.—Morristown, $10. Total, $10.

Oriental Work.—San Francisco, East Orange: Calvary, $60.
Total, $60.

Watts de Peyster.—West Orange; Sanford, $7.50; Elizabeth: St. James, $40. Total, $47.50.

Haven Home.—Mrs. F. E. Langstroth, $20. Total, $20.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $532.56.

Special Fund.—*Albuquerque.*—East Orange: Calvary, Circle, $20; Mont Clair, $15. Total, $35.

Asheville.—East Orange: Calvary, $2.50; Mont Clair, $5; Paterson: Market Street, $25; Cross Street, $2; Grace, $5.50; Westfield, $10.
Total, $50.

Harwood Home.—East Orange: Calvary, Band, $15. Total, $15.

Immigrant Home, New York.—East Orange, $20.50; Elizabeth: St. James, $4; Mont Clair, $5; Newark: Halsey Street, $25. Total, $54.50.

Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—East Orange: Calvary, $10; Elizabeth: St. James, $5; Morristown, $20.60; Newark: St. Paul's, $10; Paterson: Grace, $6.50; Westfield, $5. Total, $57.10.

Navajoes.—Newark: Roseville, $9.50; Junior League, $10.
Total, $19.50.

Rest Home.—Conference, voucher, $103.68; East Orange, $10; Circle, $31; Elizabeth: St. James, $6; West Side Avenue, $3; Morristown, $1; Newton, $3. Total, $157.68.

Watts de Peyster.—East Orange: Sanford Street, Junior League, $7.50; Elizabeth: St. James, $16. Total, $23.50.

Total Special Fund, ... $412.28.
Grand total, ... 2,734.93.
Local Work, ... 766.20.

New England Conference.

MISS E. J. WEBSTER, Treasurer, 28 Greenwich Park, Boston, Mass.

General Fund.—BOSTON DISTRICT.—Boston, Baker Memorial, $24.50; Bromfield Street, $5; Winthrop Street, $54; Circle, $2.25; Brookline, $26; Dorchester, $34; Eggleston Square, $10; Hyde Park, $40; Jamaica Plain, $13; Natick, $15.25; Newton, $15.50; Newton Center, $21; Newtonville, $15; People's Temple, $45; Roslindale, $20; St. John's, $48.50; Spencer, $5; Stanton Avenue, $21; Temple Street, $100; Tremont Street, $82; Circle, $1.50; Webster, $10; Wollaston, $5; Worcester, $107.50. Total, $721.

LYNN DISTRICT.—Asbury Grove, $8; East Boston: Saratoga Street, $56; Everett, $22; Gloucester, $32; Ipswich, $15; Linden, $13; Lynn: Common Street, $77; Circle, $8; Maple Street, $6.56; St. Paul's, $16; South Street, $26; Malden, $39; Belmont Street, $26; bequest of Miss Haven, $300; Malden Center, $61; Marblehead, $13; Melrose, $51; Peabody, $8; Salem, $25.36; Stoneham, $4; Winthrop, $20. Total, $826.92.

NORTH BOSTON DISTRICT, EASTERN DIVISION.—Ashburnham, $8.41; Cambridge: Epworth, $8.25; Grace, $14; Harvard Street, $50; Charlestown: Monument Square, $21; Trinity, $16; Gardner, $7; Hudson, $9.58; Lowell: St. Paul's, $13; Somerville: Broadway, $16; First Church, $33; Flint Street, $45; Park Avenue, $34.50; Band, $2.25; Waltham, $13; Winchester, $23. Total, $313.99.

NORTH BOSTON DISTRICT, WESTERN DIVISION.—Athol, $24.25; Clinton, $17; Fitchburg, $20.86; Leominster, $11; West Fitchburg, $21.35. Total, $94.46.

SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.—Chicopee Falls, $26.25; Mittineague, $4.50; Northampton, $10; Springfield, $211; Westfield, $75.59. Total, $327.34.

Conference Gatherings, $46. Total, $46.

Leaflet Fund, $2.35. Total, $2.35.

Mothers' Jewels, $54.83. Total, $54.83.

Total General Fund, ... $2,386 89.

Special General Fund.—Hyde Park, Mrs. James Mather, $20. Total, $20.

Emergency Fund.—Auburndale, $5; Boston: Brookline, $15; Eggleston Square, $5; Hyde Park, $25; Temple Street, $10; Tremont Street, $45; St. John's, $20; Winthrop Street, $10; Dorcester, $5; Cambridge: Epworth, $5; Grace, $5; Harvard Street, $15; Chicopee Falls, $12; East Boston, $10; Meridian Street, $4; Saratoga Street, $15; Fitchburg, $5; Gardner, $5; Gloucester, $5; Hudson, $5; Lynn: Common Street, $20; Malden, $10; Belmont Street, $5; Faulkner Street, $10; Malden Center, $5; Melrose, $40; Newton, $10; Newtonville, $16; Little Gleaners, $10; Roslindale, $5; Somerville: Broadway, $3; First Church, $60; Flint Street, $15; Park Avenue, $16; Southbridge, $10; Salem, Junior League, $5; Watertown, $5; Webster, $10; Winchester, $5; Woburn, $5; Worcester, $17; Winthrop, $15; South Ashburnham, $5; Springfield, $20; Westfield, $5. Total, $553.

Total Special General Fund, ... $573.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Alaska.*—Boston: People's Temple, $5. Total, $5.

Boylan Home.—Malden, $40. Total, $40.

Browning Home.—Boston: Temple Street, $5; Hyde Park, $11.48; Winthrop, $30; Webster, $5. Total, $51.48.

Haven Home.—Malden, $25; Malden Center, $25. Total, $50.

Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—Hudson, $5 Melrose, $20; St an - ton Avenue, $2; Winthrop Street, $9; Worcester, $5. Total, $41.

Oriental Work.—San Francisco: Newton Center, $15. Total, $15.
Ritter Home.—Boston: Temple Street, $10; Tremont Street, Circle, $40. Total, $50.
Stickney Home.—Boston: Tremont Street, $15; Cambridge: Grace, $5; Harvard, $10; Newton, $5; Springfield, $5. Total, $40.
Thayer Home.—Springfield, $25; Malden, $50; Malden Center, $60; Winthrop Street, $40. Total, $175.
Watts de Peyster.—Cambridge: Harvard Street, $25; Grace, $5; Malden, $12; Salem, Circle, $8; Springfield, $10. Total, $60.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $527.48.

Special Fund.—*Asheville.*—Boston: St. John's, $1; Tremont Street, $1; Winthrop Street, 50 cents; Brookline, $2; Eggleston Square, $1; Baker Memorial, 50 cents; Hyde Park, $2.50; Jamaica Plain, $1.50; Somerville: Park Avenue, $15. Total, $25.
Browning Home.—Boston: Tremont Street, $5; Hyde Park, $10; Somerville: Flint Street, $5; Warren, $23.36. Total, $43.36.
Haven Home.—Malden, bequest of Miss Haven, $54.50. Total, $54.50.
Immigrant Work.—Boston: Conference, $192.46, voucher. Total, $192.46.
Jesse Lee Home.—Boston: St. John's, $5; Temple Street, $50; Tremont Street, $25; East Boston: Saratoga Street, $2; Lynn: St. Paul's, $20; Hyde Park, $5. Total, $107.
Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school:—Boston: Winthrop Street, $1. Total, $1.
Speedwell.—Malden, bequest of Miss Haven, $54.50. Total, $54.50.
Thayer Home.—Malden, bequest of Miss Haven, $54.50. Total, $54.50.
Utah.—Cambridge: Harvard Street, $15; Springfield, $10. Total, $25.
Watts de Peyster.—Westfield, $50. Total, $50.

Total Special Fund, ... $607.32.
Grand total, ... 4,094.69.
Local Work, ... 776.92.

New England Southern Conference.

MRS. ELEANOR J. COOPER, Treasurer, 3 Arch Street, New Bedford, Mass.

General Fund.—NEW BEDFORD DISTRICT.—Bryantville, $9.50; College City, $17; Fair Haven, $17.50; Fall River: Union, $66; Circle, $10.50; Middleboro, $10; New Bedford: County Street, $42; Plymouth, $11; Taunton: Grace, $22.25; Mary Church, $2; Whitman, $10; Yarmouth Camp, $14; Mrs. Robert Woodward, $1. Total, $232.75.
NORWICH DISTRICT.—Burnside, $21; Hazardville, $11; Hockanum, $2.25; Jewett City, $14; Manchester, $16.75; Niantic, $19.50; New London $65.27; Circle, $17.25; Band, $10; Norwich: Trinity, $37; Rockville, $9; South Manchester, $25; Stafford Springs, $50; Wapping, $5; Willimantic, $54; Willimantic Camp, $9; Band, $3. Total, $369.02.
PROVIDENCE DISTRICT.—Bristol, $20.50; Brocton: Central Church, $19; South Street, $20; East Weymouth, $31; Newport: First Church, $34; Pawtucket: Thomson Church, $9.50; Providence: Union, $163; Stoughton: First Church, $12; Conference collections, $28. Total, $337.
Mite-boxes, $12. Total, $12.
Mothers' Jewels, $1.60. Total, $1.60.
Thank-offering, $4.45. Total, $4.45.
Leaflet Fund, $3.50. Total, $3.50.

Total General Fund, ... $960.32.

Special General Fund.—Brocton: South Street, $5; Fall River: Union, $10. Total, $15.

Emergency Fund.—Bristol, $20; Brocton: Central Church, $20; South Street, $21; Cottage City, $16; Danielson, $5; Fairhaven, $5; Fall River: Union, $35; Circle, $55; Jewett City, $15; Middleboro, $5; New Bedford: Pleasant Street, Junior League, $3; New London, $20; Newport, $10; Niantic, $10; Norwich: Trinity, $12; Providence: Union, $25; South Manchester, $5; Wickford, $5; Willimantic, $5. Total, $292.

Total Special General Fund, ... $307.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Browning Home.*—Fairhaven, $12. Total, $12.

Dulce.—Fall River: Union, $8. Total, $8.

King Home.—East Weymouth, $5; Providence: Union, $10. Total, $15.

Ritter Home.—Middleboro, $10. Total, $10.

Watts de Peyster.—New Bedford: County Street, $1; New London, Circle, $10; Band, $2. Total, $13.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $58.

Special Fund.—*Alger Loan Fund.*—Mrs. N. C. Alger, $20. Total, $20.

Asheville.—Burnside, $1; East Weymouth, $1; Fairhaven, $1; Fall River: Union, $6; Hockanum, $1.25; Jewett City, $1; Manchester, $10; Middleboro, $6; New London, $1; Newport: First Church, $10; New Bedford: County Street, $2; District, $8; Niantic, $5; Plymouth, $3; Providence: Union, $27; Stafford Springs, $1; Stoughton, $2; Thompsonville, $1; Mrs. Tregaskis, $1; Whitman, $2; without special credits, $17.75. Total, $108.

Browning Home.—Bristol, $6.80; Middleboro, $5; New Bedford District, $8; New London, $10; Newport: First Church, $25; Norwich: Trinity, $5; Fall River: Union, $15; Niantic, Band, $8.50; Pawtucket: Thomson Church, $2; Providence: Union, $40; Stafford Springs, $2.50. Total, $127.80.

Chinese Work.—Providence: Union, $15. Total, $15.

Immigrant Home, New York.—Willimantic, $5. Total, $5.

Jesse Lee Home.—New London, Circle, $5; Providence: Union, $5. Total, $10.

Navajoes.—Niantic, Band, $1.50. Providence: Union, $5. Total, $6.50.

Stickney Home.—New London, Band, $5. Total, $5.

Watts de Peyster.—Brocton: South Street, $4.30; East Weymouth, $2. Total, $6.30.

Total to Special Fund, ... $303.60.
Grand total, ... 1,628.92.
Local Work, ... 4 50.

New Hampshire Conference.

MRS. J. D. FOLSOM, Treasurer, Greenland, New Hampshire.

General Fund. — CONCORD DISTRICT. — Claremont, $5; Concord: Baker Memorial, $10; First Church, $34; Suncook, $7. Total, $56.

DOVER DISTRICT.—Amesbury, $5.75; Centralville, $3.25; Dover, $19; Epping, $4.20; Greenland, $17; Haverhill: First Church, $10; Grace, $80; Third Church, $1; Wesley Church, $13; Lawrence: First Church, $49.43; Newfields, $6.50; Rochester, $5; Salisbury, $11; Somersworth, $21. Total, $246.13.

MANCHESTER DISTRICT.—Antrim, $12; Claremont, $15; Union Camp-

meeting, $4; Goffstown, 40 cents; Grasmere, $1; Keene, $11; Manchester: St. James, $2; St. Paul, $41; Marlboro, $11; Nashua, $13.75; Salem: Pleasant Street, $6. Total, $117.15.

Mothers' Jewels, $18. Total, $18.

Mite-boxes, $21.71. Total, $21.71.

Organizer's Fund, $8.18. Total, $8.18.

By Voucher, $6.37. Total, $6.37.

Total to General Fund, ... $473.54.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.*—Concord: First Church, $5; Derry: St. Luke's, $7.10; First Church, $1; Grasmere, $5; Greenland, $5; Haverhill: First Church, $20. Total, $45.10.

Total Special General Fund, ... $45.10.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Jesse Lee Home.*—Concord: First Church, $10; for Alexander Pepin, Conference gatherings, $17.61; Conference Contingent Fund, $10.77; Manchester, $5; St. Paul's, 37 cents; Marlboro, 25 cents; Newfields, $3; Tilton, $3. Total, $50.

Boylan Home.—Salem: Pleasant Street, voucher, $11; for Estella Hankins, $3; League, $1. Total, $15.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $65.

Special Fund.—*Jesse Lee Home.*—Manchester: St. James, $10. Total, $10.

Haven Home.—Haverhill: Wesley Chapel, $10. Total, $10.

Oriental Work.—San Francisco, Conference, $9.39; Dover, $3.61; West Springfield, $2. Total, $15.

Navajoes.—Haverhill: First Church, $5. Total, $5.

Deaconess Work.—Rochester, $2. Total, $2.

Watts de Peyster Home.—Contoocook, $1.35: Somersworth, 35 cents; Grantham, $2; Grasmere, $5.55; North Grantham, $1. Total, $10.25.

Total Special Fund, ... $52.25.

Grand total, ... 635.89.

Local Work, ... 21.33.

New Jersey Conference.

MRS. S. J. TURNER, Treasurer, 410 North Fourth Street, Camden, N. J.

General Fund.—BRIDGETON DISTRICT.—Bridgeton: Central Avenue, $45; Commerce Street, $25; Trinity Church, $23.75; Clayton, $58.70; Salem: Broadway, $19; Vineland: First Church, $76; Band, $1.25; Woodstown, $13. Total, $261.70.

CAMDEN DISTRICT.—Blackwood, $25.30; Camden: Broadway, $90.25; Circle, $4.66; Centenary, $68.25; Sacrifice, $8; First Church, $57.75; State Street, $8.25; Tabernacle, $47.60; Circle, $3.25; Union, $39.50; Dudley, $16.10; Haddonfield, $23.05; Wenonah, $5. Total, $396.96.

NEW BRUNSWICK DISTRICT.—Asbury Park: First Church, $35.50; Sacrifice, $5; Cranberry, $19.25; Band, $4; Manasquan, $16; Milltown, $8; New Brunswick: First Church, $24.75; Ocean Grove: St. Paul's, $62.65; Red Bank: Grace, $13; Sea Bright, $20. Total, $208.15.

TRENTON DISTRICT.—Island Heights, League, $4; Pennington, $13.25; Trenton: Central Church, $32.50; First Church, $100; St. Paul, $19.50; State Street, $61. Total, $230.25.

Mothers' Jewels, $15.84. Total, $15.84.

Leaflet Fund, $10. Total, $10.

Mite-boxes, $26.97. Total, $26.97.

Total to General Fund, ... $1,143.87.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.*—Asbury Park: First Church, $5; Camden: Centenary, $23; Band, $10; Dudley, $7.15; Haddonfield, $3.50; Norwood Park: Madison Avenue, $10; Ocean Grove: St. Paul's, $64; Pennington, $5; Salem: Broadway, $5; Vineland: First Church, $8. Total, $140.65.

Teachers' Salary.—Dudley, $5. Total, $5.

Total to Special General Fund, ... $145.65.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Harwood Home.*—Camden: Broadway, $2; Centenary, $6; Union, $2.50; Trenton: Central, 50 cents; St. Paul's, 50 cents; State Street, $2. Total, $13.50.

Jesse Lee Home.—Bridgeton District, $4.16; Salem: Broadway, $5. Total, $9.16.

Oriental Work.—Camden: Broadway, $5; Ocean Grove: St. Paul's, $10; Trenton: State Street, $5; Asbury Park: First Church, $5. Total, $25.

Peck Home.—Blackwood, $1.50; Camden: Broadway, $1.50; Centenary, $1.50; First Church, $1.50; Union, $1.50; Tabernacle, $1.50; Dudley, $1.50; Haddonfield, $1.50. Total, $12.

Watts de Peyster Home.—Bridgeton: Central Church, $5; Camden: First Church, $5; Tabernacle, $5; Clayton, $5; Cranberry, $5; Haddonfield, $5; Vineland: First Church, $5. Total, $35.

Total to Beneficiary Fund, ... $94.06.

Special Fund.—*Alaska.*—Camden: Centenary, $1.50; Trenton: Central, $1; State Street, $2.50. Total, $5.

Mothers' Jewels Home, Hospital Fund.—Trenton: St. Paul's, $4.40. Total, $4.40.

Navajoes.—Vineland: First Church, $15. Total, $15.

Total to Special Fund, ... $24.40.
Grand total, ... 1,413.98.
Local Work, ... 111.33.

New Mexico Mission.

MRS. R. Y. SHORT, Treasurer, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.*—Anita C. Rodriguez, $40; Nellie Snider, $5. Total, $45.

Total Special General Fund, ... $45.
Grand total, ... 45.

NOTE.—General Fund $18, and Special Fund $17.95, have been reported, but as no vouchers for these amounts have been received, credit is not given.

New York Conference.

MRS. J. A. PUNDERFORD, 127 West Seventieth Street, New York.

General Fund.—KINGSTON DISTRICT.—Coxsackie, $43.75; Haines Falls, $1; Kingston: Clinton Avenue, $27.16; St. James, $28.50; Trinity, $33. Total, $133.41.

NEWBURG DISTRICT.—Newburg: Trinity, $46. Total, $46.

NEW YORK DISTRICT.—New York: Brewster, $17; Calvary, $51.30; Carmel, $10; Chatham, $50.50; Duane Street, $10; Eighteenth Street, $52; Fordham, $16; Grace, $75.04; Hudson, $51.75; Katonah, $23.76; Kensico, $8; Lakeville, $15; Madison Avenue, $6; Park Avenue, $72; Peekskill, $40; St. Andrew's, $23; St. James, $44.20; St. Luke's, $9; St. Paul's, $16.55; Sing Sing, $30; Tarrytown, $40; Tivoli, $2; Twenty-fourth, $1; Union, $22; Washington, $4; Washington Heights, $26.63; Washington Square, $83; Yonkers, $55. Total, $854.73.

POUGHKEEPSIE DISTRICT.—Poughkeepsie: Trinity, $41; Washington Street, $56. Total, 97.
Conference Collections, $140.92. Total, $140.92.
Total to General Fund, ... $1,272.06.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.*—Hudson, $5; New York: Calvary, $25; Eighteenth Street, $5; Grace, $5; Madison Avenue, $15; Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk, $5; Miss Martha Van Marter, $5; through Mrs. Henry Heustis, $17; through Mrs. Fisk, $5; through Conference Treasurer, $98. Total, $200.
Miss Mathews's Salary.—Without special credits, $100. Total, $100.
Total Special General Fund, ... $300.

Beneficiary and Special Fund.—Through Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk, $250. The above amount to be distributed as follows: *Asheville Building*, $50; *Jesse Lee Home*, $50; *King Home*, $25; *Watts de Peyster*, $125.
Beneficiary Fund, $50. Total, $50.
Special Fund, $200. Total, $200.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Ritter Home*, $10. Total, $10.
Total to Beneficiary Fund, ... $60.

Special Fund.—*Jesse Lee Home.*—Building, $10. Total, $10.
Oriental Work, San Francisco, $20. Total, $20.
Utah, $10. Total, $10.
Total to Special Fund, ... $240.00.
Grand total, ... 1,872.06.

New York East Conference.

MRS. ELIZA B. LANTRY, Treasurer, 614 Madison Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

General Fund.—NEW HAVEN DISTRICT.—Hartford: South Park, $14.50; Middletown, Conn., $52; without special credits, 73 cents. Total, $67.23.
NEW YORK DISTRICT.—Bridgeport, Conn.: Washington Park, $55.80; Mt. Vernon, $60.83; New York: Trinity, $17.05. Total, $133.68.
NORTH BROOKLYN DISTRICT.—Babylon, $4.50; Brooklyn: Bushwick Avenue, $30; De Kalb Avenue, $13; Jamaica, $40; Sayville, $15. Total, $102.50.
SOUTH BROOKLYN DISTRICT.—Brooklyn: Embury, $12; Grace, $31; Hanson Place, $36; New York Avenue, $10.80; Nostrand Avenue, $26; Circle, $10; Janes, $46; Patchogue, Circle, $14.60; St. Paul's, $1; Simpson, $26; Sumner Avenue, $40; Summerfield, $6.60. Total, $260.
Mothers' Jewels, $1. Total, $1.
Leaflet Fund, $10. Total, $10.
Total General Fund, ... $574.41.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.*—Bridgeport: Washington Park, Circle, $15; Brooklyn: Nostrand Avenue, $25; Grace, $12; Hanson Place, $5; Sumner Avenue, $10; Summerfield, $5; Jamaica, $5; Mt. Vernon: First Church, $20; Young Ladies, $20; Middletown, $14. Total, $131.
Total Special General Fund, ... $131.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Jesse Lee Home.*—Middletown, Conn., $23.77. Total, $23.77.
Watts de Peyster.—New York: Trinity, $60. Total, $60.
Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $83.77.

Special Fund.—Collected for typewriter, $18.50. Total, $18.50.
Deaconess Home.—Brooklyn, $3,312.16, voucher. Total, $3,312.16.
Harwood Home.—Brooklyn: Hanson Place, $47. Total, $47.
Haven Home.—Jamaica, $13, voucher. Total, $13.
Immigrant Home, New York.—Brooklyn: Sumner Avenue, $5; New York: Trinity, $5. Total, $10.
Jesse Lee Home.—Brooklyn: New York Avenue, $29.19. Total, $29.19.
Navajoes.—Middletown, Conn., $12. Total, $12.
Oriental Work.—Without special credits, $10. Total, $10.
Rest Home.—Without special credits, $10. Total, $10.

Total Special Fund, ... $3,461.85.
Grand total, ... 4,251.03.

North Carolina Conference.

General Fund.—Asheville Auxiliary, $7.65. Total, $7.65.
Total General Fund, ... $7.65.

Special Fund.—*Asheville.*—Conference gatherings, $10; rent of cottage, $10. Total, $20.
Total Special Fund, ... $20.00.
Grand total, ... 27.65.

North Indiana Conference.

MRS. G. A. OSBORN, Treasurer, Marion, Indiana.

General Fund.—FORT WAYNE DISTRICT.—Bluffton, $47.40; Circle, $1.63; Decatur, $29; Fort Wayne, $38.95; Circle, $3.75; Garrett, $9; Huntington, $35.50; Junior League, $1.65; Fremont, $3.25. Total, $170.13.
GOSHEN DISTRICT.—Benton, $10.50; Elkhart, $75.27; Goshen, $46.45; Leesburg, $2; Milford, $11.25; Mishawaka, $28.15; gift, $10; New Paris, $13.75; Wakarusa, $10.25; Wolcottville, $11.25. Total, $218.87.
KOKOMO DISTRICT.—Converse, $9.90; Logansport: Broadway, $20.83; Market Street, $22; Wheatland Street, $11.75; Peru, $14; Windfall, $5.78. Total, $84.26.
MUNCIE DISTRICT.—Alexandria, $25.03; Anderson, $43.25; Hartford City, $38.40; Muncie, $18.75; Red Key, $22.50. Total, $147.93.
RICHMOND DISTRICT.—Charlottesville, $11.72; Fountain City, $13; Hagerstown, $9.50; Knightstown, $21; Middletown, $10.15; New Castle, $28.25; Richmond: First Church, $17; Circle, 34 cents; Fifth Street, $3; Grace, $28; Winchester, $28.50. Total, $170.46.
WARSAW DISTRICT.—Marion, $25; Silver Lake, $5.75; Wabash, $42.25; Warsaw, $14. Total, $87.
Mothers' Jewels, $2.70. Total, $2.70.
Leaflet Fund, $5. Total, $5.
Mite-boxes, $8.17. Total, $8.17.

Total General Fund, ... $894.52.

Special General Fund.—*Missionaries' Salaries.*—Alexandria, $5; Benton, $4.82; Bluffton, $21.45; Decatur, $14.50; Elkhart, $25.38; Hagerstown, $10; Hartford City, $15; Huntington, $7; Fort Wayne, $19; Knightstown, $8; Logansport: Broadway, $10; Market Street, $5; Wheatland Street, $5; Marion, $15.98; Middletown, $15; Mishawaka, $25.78; Milford, $5; Muncie, $28; New Castle, $10; New Paris, $12.27; Peru, $10; Red Key, $5.50; Richmond: First Church, $8.43; Grace, $20; Wabash, $25; Winchester, $16.44; special gifts, $3.81; Wakarusa, $1.33. Total, $352.69.

Emergency Fund.—Anderson, $25; Alexandria, $1; Bluffton, $15; Decatur, $15.29; Elkhart, $16; Logansport: Market Street, $1.81; Marion, $5; Middletown, $5; Mishawaka, $10; Nappanee, $12.05; Richmond: Grace, $5; Wabash, $5; Warsaw, $5; Winchester, $5; Conference, $5. Total, $131.15.

Total Special General Fund, ... $483.84.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Bennett Home.*—Elkhart, $17.88; Milford, $3.82; Richmond: Grace, $15; Wakarusa, $3.15. Total, $39.85.

Dulce.—Elkhart, $11; Mishawaka, $9; Wakarusa, $2.24. Total, $22.24.

Harwood Home.—By voucher, Mrs. A. M. Whitson, $50. Total, $50.

Haven Home.—Hartford City, $20. Total, $20.

Jesse Lee Home—Elkhart, $3.62; Mishawaka, $8.54; New Paris, $6.50. Total, $18.66.

New Jersey Home.—Ft. Wayne, 75 cents. Total, 75 cents.

Oriental Work.—San Francisco: Ft. Wayne, $1.50; Richmond: First Church, $1. Total, $2.50.

Ritter Home.—Goshen, $3.30; Hartford City, $8.57; Huntington, $40; Kinghtstown, $1.65; Logansport: Wheatland Street, $25; Marion, $16.76; Middletown, $20; New Castle, $3.50; Peru, $1; Richmond: Grace, $10; Wabash, $21; Warsaw, $1; Winchester, $5; Wolcottville, $3.25. Total, $165.03.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $319.03.

Special Fund.—*Jesse Lee Home.*—Alexandria, 75 cents; Bluffton, $3; Fountain City, 50 cents; Huntington, $1.50; Knightstown, $1; Logansport: Broadway, $1; Richmond: First Church, $1; Warsaw, 65 cents. Total, $9.40.

Total Special Fund, ... $9.40.
Grand total, ... 1,706.79.

North Nebraska Conference.

MRS. C. S. HAYNES, Treasurer, Norfolk, Neb.

General Fund.—GRAND ISLAND DISTRICT.—Central City, $21.25; honorary members, $4; Clark's, $1; Fullerton, $1; Grand Island: Mapleville, $1; North Bend, $1; St. Edwards, $8. Total, $38.25.

NELIGH DISTRICT.—Battle Creek, $1; Neligh, $4; Oakdale, $4; Plainview, $7.55. Total, $16.55.

NORFOLK DISTRICT.—Beemer, $7.75; Decatur, $2; Madison, $8.75; Norfolk, $19; Stanton, $19.50; Wayne, $27.80; dues of Dr. Ivory, $1. Total, $85.80.

OMAHA DISTRICT.—Fremont, $24; Conference, $16; Omaha: Hanscom Park, $51; honorary members, $3; Seward Street, $5.75; Trinity, $17.55; South Omaha, $25.25. Total, $142.55.

Mothers' Jewels.—Central City, $1; Norfolk, $2.48; Wayne, $1.60. Total, $5.08.

Immigrant Work.—Boston: Omama Hanscom Park, $5. Total, $5.

Leaflet Fund.—Norfolk, 25 cents; Wayne, 25 cents. Total, 50 cents.

Total General Fund, ... $293.73.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.*—Central City, $5; Fremont, $23; Thank-offering, 14; Norfolk, $10; Mrs. H. H. Millard, $5; Norfolk District, $5; Omaha: Hanscom Park, $23: Omaha District, $5; Pilger, $5; Plainview, $5; South Omaha, $5; Stanton, $10; Wayne, $5. Total, $120.

Oriental Work.—Omaha: Hanscom Park, $1; for Leaflets: Fremont, 25 cents. Total, $1.25.

Total Special General Fund, ... $121.25.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Mothers' Jewels Home.*—Beemer, $1; Fremont, $25; Norfolk, $16.45; Omaha: South Tenth Street, $8; Plainview, $6; Stanton, $12.56; Wayne, $9.40. Total, $78.41.

Oriental Work, San Francisco.—Beemer, $3; Fremont, $1; Norfolk, $1; Omaha: Trinity, $1; Pilger, $1; Wayne, $1. Total, $8.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $86.41.

Special Fund.—*Mothers' Jewels Home.*—Fremont, $10; Wayne, $7.88; various auxiliaries, $59.50. (Vouchers.) Total, 77 38.

Hospital Fund.—Beemer, $5; Neligh, $4; Plainview, $10.01; Stanton, $30 10; Wayne, $1.70. Total, $50.81.

Total Special Fund, ... $128.19.
Grand total, ... 629.58.
Local Work, ... 10.00.

North Ohio Conference.

MRS. T. S. SHEPHERD, Treasurer, Wooster, Ohio.

General Fund.—CLEVELAND DISTRICT.—Berea, $18.25; Cleveland: Brooklyn Church, $14.50; Franklin Avenue, $40.60; Gordon Avenue, $3.53; Jennings Avenue, $10; Elyria, $75.55; Granger, $1; Huntington, $20; Lorain, $2; New London, $22.10; Oberlin, Circle, $11.83; Wellington, $39.50. Total, $258.86.

MANSFIELD DISTRICT.—Ashland, $26.50; Bucyrus, $21.20; bequest of Martha Johnson, $358; Bucyrus Circuit, $2; Crestline, $21.50; Delaware: Asbury, $36.50; Grace, $11; Galion, $19.50; Hayesville, $9.15; Mansfield, $104.20; Mt. Gilead, $3.80; Pavonia, $20.85; Plymouth, $16; Shelby, $12.25. Total, $662.45.

MT. VERNON DISTRICT.—Clarks: Bloomfield, $9; Danville, $3.50; Fredericktown, $1; Gambier: Hopewell, $12.75; Galena, $1; Levering, $1; Mt. Vernon, $31.25; Roscoe, $19.75; Circle, $7.80; Union Chapel, $17; Utica, $2.50. Total, $106.55.

SANDUSKY DISTRICT.—Bellevue, $9.50; Norwalk, $29.50; Port Clinton, $14; Sandusky, $3.60; Tiffin, $44.75. Total, $101.35.

WOOSTER DISTRICT.—Albion, $6.83; Barberton, $8.95; Canaan, $7; Fredericksburg, $13.25; Loudonville, $14; North Lawrence, $5.75; Ruggles, $14.50; Band, $1.14; Circle, 36 cents; Smithville, $11; Wooster, $40. Total, $122.78.

Mite-boxes, $36.69. Total, $36.69.
Mothers' Jewels, $8.20. Total, $8 20.
Leaflet Fund, 25 cents. Total, 25 cents.
Child's Paper, $20.75. Total, $20.75.

Total to General Fund, ... $1,323.66.

Special General Fund.—Ashland, $3.50; Wellington, 65 cents. Total, $4.15.

Emergency Fund.—Ashland, $5; Berea, $5; Cleveland: Franklin Avenue, $14; Delaware: Asbury, $10; Elyria, $25; Fredericksburg, $5; Mansfield, $23.25; Roscoe, $15; Shelby, $5; Wellington, $11; Wooster, $5. Total, $123.25.

Total to Special General Fund, ... $127.40.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Asheville.*—Oberlin, Circle, $10. Total, $10.

E. L. Rust Home.—Mansfield, $5. Total, $5.

Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—Barberton, $15; Bellevue, $13.50; Berea, $5; Elyria, $25; Mansfield, $15; Shelby, $10; Wooster, $5. Total, $88.50.

Ritter Home.—Mansfield, $44. Total, $44.

Total to Beneficiary Fund, ... $147.50.

Special Fund.—*Asheville.*—Bellevue, $6.80; Mansfield, $42; Mount Vernon, $15; Norwalk, $5; Roscoe, $5; Union Chapel, $10; Wellington, $5. Total, $88.80.
Bennett Home.—Mansfield, $15. Total, $15.
Deaconess Home, Cleveland.—Various sources, $252.50. (Vouchers). Total, $252.50.
Jesse Lee Home.—Ashland, $31; Berea, $10.75; Delaware: Asbury, $25; Clarks: Bloomfield, $3; Gambier: Hopewell, $3; Pavonia, $5; Roscoe, $10; Smithville, $1.10. Total, $88.85.
Utah.—Cleveland: Franklin Avenue, $5. Total, $5.
Peck Home.—Roscoe, $5. Total, $5.

Total to Special Fund, ... $455.15.
Grand total, ... 2,053.71.

Northern New York Conference.

MRS. A. E. HENDERSON, Treasurer, Oswego, New York.

General Fund.—ADAMS DISTRICT.—Adams, $45; Belleville, $13; Copenhagen, $11; Lowville, $30; Turin: Second Church, $12.65; Watertown: State Street, $53.75; Band, $1.95. Total, $167.35.
HERKIMER DISTRICT.—Frankfort, $13.50; Herkimer, $33; Ilion, $79.55; Mohawk, Circle, $7. Total, $133.05.
OSWEGO DISTRICT.—Altmar, $9.50; Camden, $13; Band, $2; Fulton: First Church, $42; Hannibal, $9.50; Circle, 50 cents; Mexico, $51.85; Minetto, $12.80; Mt. Pleasant, $1; New Haven, $1; Oswego: Center, $12.72; First Church, $41.10; Trinity, $25.25; Band, $1.60; Union Square, Band, $3.77; Pulaski, $21.15; Band, $2.50; Sandy Creek, $15. Total, $266.24.
ST. LAWRENCE DISTRICT.—Malone, $18; Morristown, $24.85; Ogdensburg, $45.25; Circle, $5; Potsdam, $31. Total, $123.10.
UTICA DISTRICT.—Clinton, $2; Circle, $5; Hamilton, Circle, $3.50; Knoxboro, $3.50; Band, $5; Madison, $17.75; New Hartford, $22; Rome: First Church, $64.50; Stittville, $2; Utica: First Church, $41; South Street, $45. Total, $211.25.
WATERTOWN DISTRICT.—Black River, $23; Carthage, $8.50; De Peyster, Circle, $8.25; Band, $2.75; Depauville, $14.78; Evans Mills, $7.25; Gouverneur, $25.35; Harrisville, $8.25; Heuvelton, $1; Philadelphia, $11.05; Theresa, $13.25; Watertown: Arsenal, $36; Circle, $1.35; Band, $3.40; District, $4. Total, $168.18.
Conference Gatherings, $9.50. Total, $9.50.
Mothers' Jewels, $8.89. Total, $8.89.
Mite-boxes, $24.83. Total, $24.83.
Thank-offering and Gifts, $10.88. Total, $10.88.
Children's Paper, $8.43. Total, $8.43.

Total to General Fund, ... $1,151.30.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund*,—Adams, $25; Black River, $5; Camden, $5; Gouverneur, $5.10; Ilion, $5; Knoxboro, $10; Martinsburg, $5; Mexico, $15; Oswego: Center, $1.62; Trinity, $15; Watertown: Arsenal Street, $10; State Street, $32. Total, $133.72.
For the debt,, $29.85. Total, $29.85.
Mite-boxes, $9.50. Total, $9.50.
Thank-offering, $10.70. Total, $10.70.
Immigrant Work.—New York, $7.57. Total, $7.57.
Child's Paper, $6.24. Total, $6.24.

Total to Special General Fund, ... $197.58.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Asheville.*—Adams, $4.75; Ilion, $7.14; Utica: South Street, $7.87. Total, $19.76.

Dulce.—Watertown: Arsenal Street, $4. Total, $4.
Jesse Lee Home.—Frankfort, $6; Watertown: Arsenal Street, Circle, $16. Total, $22.
Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—Adams, $5; Adams District, $1.50; De Peyster, $1; Frankfort, 25 cents; Herkimer District, $1.25; Ogdensburg, $1; Prairie Corners, $6; Utica: South Street, $5; Utica District, $1.50; Watertown: Arsenal Street, $5; Watertown District, $2. Total, $29.50.
New Jersey Home.—Herkimer, $20. Total, $20.
Ritter Home.—Adams, $30; Beaver Falls, $5; Black River, $6; Carthage, $40; De Peyster, $20; Evans Mills, $2.51; Granville, $11; Harrisville, $5; Heuvelton, $3; Ogdensburg, $30; Plessis, $4.57; Rome: First Church, $41; Theresa, $6; Watertown: Arsenal Street, $11; State Street, $20; Galilee, Rev. Wm. Thomas, $10. Total, $245.08.
Watts de Peyster.—De Peyster, $15. Total, $15.

Total to Beneficiary Fund, ... $355.34.

Special Fund.—*Asheville.*—Belleville, $1.76; Camden, $1.70; Carthage, $1; Clinton, $1; Frankfort, $1.89; Fulton: First Church, $5; Hamilton, $1; Hannibal, $1; Harrisville, 90 cents; Herkimer, $3.78; Lowville, $3; Madison, $3.25; Malone, $5; Mexico, $55; Mohawk, Circle, $1.19; Morristown, $4; New Hartford, $3; New Haven, $1; Ogdensburg, $8; Oswego: Center, $2; Trinity, $3; Philadelphia, $1; Pulaski, $2; Rome: First Church, $4; Stittville, $1; Theresa, $10; Utica: First Church, $3.25; Watertown: State Street, $5.25; Arsenal, $24. Total, $157.97.
Deaconess Work.—$11.40. Total, $11.40.
Frontier Work.—$34.34. Total, $34.34.
Jesse Lee Home.—Depauville, $1. Total, $1.
Watts de Peyster.—Utica: South Street, $5. Total, $5.
Marcy Home.—Gouverneur, $6.30. Total, $6.30.
Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—Depauville, $1; De Peyster, Circle, $1; Black River, $1; Gouverneur, $2. Total, $5.

Total to Special Fund, ... $221.01.
Grand total, ... 1,925.23.
Local Work, ... 17.20.

Northwest Indiana Conference.

MRS. MYRON CAMPBELL, Treasurer, South Bend, Indiana.

General Fund.—CRAWFORDSVILLE DISTRICT.—North Indianapolis, $22.50. Total, $22.50.
GREENCASTLE DISTRICT.—Catlin, $2.35; Greencastle: College Avenue, $26.35; Young Ladies, $10.50; Rockville, $3.20; Terre Haute: Centenary, $70.50; Bellmore, $9; Trinity, $14.50; Conference gatherings, $7.50. Total, $143.90.
LAFAYETTE DISTRICT.—Frankfort, $19.25; Lafayette, mite-boxes, $5.90; Trinity, $45.25; Circle, $15. Total, $85.40.
SOUTH BEND DISTRICT.—Monticello, $20; South Bend: First Church, $59; Grace Church, $15.50; Circle, $13. Total, $107.50.
VALPARAISO DISTRICT.—Crown Point, $8.29; Valparaiso, $16.50. Total, $24.79.
Mothers' Jewels.—Terre Haute: Centenary, $2.80. Total, $2.80.
Thank-offering.—Lafayette, $15; Monticello, $8.33. Total, $23.33.

Total to General Fund, ... $410.22.

Special General Fund.—Monticello, $9.67; Terre Haute, 45 cents; Valparaiso, $6.20. Total, $16.32

Emergency Fund.—Frankfort, $5; Greencastle, $10; College Avenue, $5; Lafayette: Trinity, $5; South Bend: First Church, $25; Terre Haute: Trinity, $5; Valparaiso, $10. Total, $65.

Total to Special General Fund, ... $81.32.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Jesse Lee Home.*—Frankfort, $25.10. Total, $25.10.

Ritter Home.—Greencastle: College Avenue, $16; South Bend, $10. Total, $26.

Total to Beneficiary Fund, ... $51.10.

Special Fund.—*Asheville.*—South Bend: First Church, $25. Total, $25.

Total to Special Fund, ... $25.00.
Grand total, ... 567.64.

Northwest Iowa Conference.

MRS. J. K. BUELLY, Treasurer, Unique, Iowa.

General Fund.—ALGONA DISTRICT.—Alden, $1; Alexander, $15.25; Algona, $30; Bancroft, $13.50; Belmont, $5; Britt, $16; Burt, $6; Clear Lake, $30.75; Corwith, $18.25; Eagle Grove, $3.50; Davis, $2.50; Garner, $14.30; Goldfield, $10.50; Forest City, $2; Oakland Valley, $4; Hardy, $1.25; La Verne, $4; Webster City, $6.25. Total, $184.05.

FORT DODGE DISTRICT.—Alta, $28; Amelia, $5; Burnside, $1; Fort Dodge: First Church, $55.10; Hubbard, $9.75; Band, 66 cents; Lohrville, $16.50; Manson, $23; Newell, $14.15; Rockwell City, $16.80; Storm Lake, $40.75; Circle, $7.05; Twin Lakes, $9.75; Webster City, $14.25; West Fort Dodge, $10.25. Total, $252.01.

IDA GROVE DISTRICT.—Arthur, $10.25; Charter Oak, $14; Deloit, $1; Galva, $29.30; Good Hope, $2; Grant City, $5; Circle, 50 cents; Ida Grove, $6.50; Jackson, $2; Kingsley, $16.85; Lake City, $13.75; Lake View, $13.75; Circle, 25 cents; Odebolt, $4; Pierson, Band, $1; Silver, $12; Circle, 90 cents; Vail, $6.50; Wall Lake, $9; West Side, $6. Total, $154.55.

SHELDON DISTRICT.—Calumet, $5.50; Dickens, $9.75; Everly, $16; Circle, 37 cents; Excelsior, $7.75; Hartley, $12.50; Havelock, $11; Hull, $1.50; Inwood, $20.25; Circle, $2; Laurens, $14.25; Lester, Mrs. McCullough, $1; Little Rock, $3.15; Marathon, $5.30; May City, $16.70; Milford, $8.75; Paulina, $4; Plover, $6.50; Rock Rapids, $21.35; Rolfe, $14.50; Ruthven, $7; Sanborn, $4; Sheldon, $20.05; Sioux Rapids, $4; Spencer, $41; Circle, $1. Total, $259.17.

SIOUX CITY DISTRICT.—Akron, $1; Calumet, $17.50; Epworth, $6.25; Hawarden: Fourth Street, $10.50; Le Mars, $28.30; Merrill, $1; Peiro, $18; Salix, $12.50; Sioux City: First Church, $19; Grace, $28.50; Circle, $17; Sargeants Bluff, $1. Total, $160.55.

Conference Gleanings, $25.61. Total, $25.61.
Leaflet Fund, $2.86. Total, $2.86.
Mothers' Jewels, $13.50. Total, $13.50.

Total to General Fund, ... $1,052.30.

Special General Fund.—*Teacher's Salaries.*—From mite-boxes, $29.55; Akron, $1; Alexander, $3; Algona, $4; Alta, $3; Bancroft, $3; Britt, $2; Calumet, $2.50; Charter Oak, $5; Corwith, $4; Dows, $1.70; Dickens, $2; Everly, $5.75; Excelsior, 30 cents; Fort Dodge: First Church, $5.36; Galva, $4; Garner, $3; Hartley, $3; Havelock, $3; Hubbard, $3; Hawarden, $3; Inwood, $13.54; Jewell, 75 cents; Kingsley, $6.53; Lake View, $3; Lake City, $6.45; Laurens, $6; Lohrville, $3.04; Manson, $3; May City, $2; Mil-

ford, $1; Oakland Valley, $3; Plover, $3; Rock Rapids, $5; Rockwell City, $3; Rolf, $3; Salix, $6.40; Silver, $5; Sioux City: First Church, $5; Band, $3; Grace Church, $11; Sioux Rapids, $3.70; Spencer, $8; Storm Lake, $6.56; Vail, $6.55; Webster City, $4.40; West Fort Dodge, 41 cents; without special credits, $3.93. Total, $216.42.

Emergency Fund.—Algona, $10; Corwith, $10; Eagle Grove, $5; Hartley, $3.25; Hawarden, $2; Inwood, $15; Lake City, $5; Laurens, $5; Manson, $5; Newell, $2.85; Rock Rapids, $5; Rolfe, $5; Sioux City: Grace, $10; Circle, $5; Spencer, $11.64; Twin Lakes, $5. Total, $104.74.

Total to Special General Fund, ... $321.16.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Jesse Lee Home.*—Algona, $5; Hubbard, Band, 78 cents; Havelock, $3; Lohrville, $2 47; Newell, $5.71; Plover, $1; Sheldon, 50 cents; Sioux City: Grace, $3.07; Silver, $5; Wall Lake, Band, $1; Webster City, $8.60; other sources, $5. Total, $41.13.

Peck Home.—Fort Dodge, $10; Laurens, $3; Plover, $1.25; Vail, $3; other sources, $25. Total, $42.25.

Stickney Home.—Rockwell City, $2.50; Twin Lakes, 25 cents; other sources, $30.14. Total, $32.89.

Oriental Work.—Various Auxiliaries, $30. Total, $30.

Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—Inwood, $2. Total, $2.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $148.27.

Special Fund.—*Deaconess Home, Des Moines.*—Alexander, $2; Algona, $3; Arthur, $3.50; Britt, $2; Calumet, $2; Charter Oak, $2; Corwith, $2; Galva, $3; Garner, $2; Hartley, $2; Havelock, $2; Hawarden, $3; Inwood, $4; Kingsley, $5.27; Lohrville, $2.48; Milford, $8.51; Paulina, $2; Plover, $2; Rock Rapids, $1.45; Rockwell City, $2; Rolfe, $2; Salix, $2; Silver, $3; Sioux City: First Church, $4; Grace, $5; Spencer, $5; Webster City, $5.70; West Fort Dodge, $2; West Side, $2; mite-boxes, $11.15; various sources, $88.90. Total, $186.96.

Immigrant Home, New York.—Galva, $6. Total, $6.

Mothers' Jewels Home.—Fort Dodge, $3.05; Odebolt, $3; Sioux City: Grace Church, Junior League, $9; Bands, $16.40. Total, $31.45.

Total to Special Fund, ... $224.41.
Grand total, ... 1,746.14.
Local Work, ... 35.00.

Northwest Kansas Conference.

MRS. R. J. SMITH, Treasurer, Colby, Kansas.

General Fund.—MANKATO DISTRICT.—Mankato, $3.50. Total, $3.50.
SALINA DISTRICT.—Salina, $6; Solomon, $7. Total, $13.
Conference Gatherings, $12. Total, $12.

Total to General Fund, ... $28.50.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.*—Salina, $5; Mrs. William Hoover, Salina, $5. Total, $10.

Total to Special General Fund, ... $10.00.
Grand total, ... 38.50.

Northern Swedish Mission.

MRS. J. A. PALMQUIST, Treasurer.

General Fund.—Lindstrom, $7; Red Wing, $2; St. Paul: Cook Street, $8.50; First Church, $5; Stillwater, $9.70; from Conference, $8.50. Total, $40.70.

Total to General Fund, ... $40.70.
Grand total, ... 40.70.

Ohio Conference.

MISS FLORENCE STRICKLER, Treasurer, 763 Oak Street, Columbus, O.

General Fund.—CHILLICOTHE DISTRICT.—Chillicothe: Walnut Street, $35.50; Frankfort, $33; Mt. Carmel: Selden, $3.25; New Holland, $16.75; Slate Mills, $3; Washington C. H., $18. Total, $109.50.

COLUMBUS DISTRICT.—Columbus: Broad Street, $106; Circle, $10; King Avenue, $33.80; Neil Avenue, $24.25; Band, $2.50; North Columbus, $8.25; Third Avenue, $50.25; Circle, $12; Town Street, $18; Wesley Chapel, $20.50. Total, $285.55.

GALLIPOLIS DISTRICT.—Gallipolis, $10; Jackson, $31; Racine, $6.50. Total, $47.50.

LANCASTER DISTRICT.—Circleville, $26.80; Lancaster, $16.25; Logan, $48. Total, $91.05.

LONDON DISTRICT.—Delaware: St. Paul, $43.15; Harrisburg, $11; Stratford, $10; Worthington, $23.50. Total, $87.65.

MARIETTA DISTRICT.—Athens, $18.30; Marietta, $50; Nelsonville, $19.75. Total, $88.05.

PORTSMOUTH DISTRICT.—Ironton, $78.25; Circle, $11.95; Band, $7; Spencer Chapel, $3.50; Circle, $2; Portsmouth: Bigelow Church, $63.45; Circle, $6.50; Band, $4.55. Total, $177.20.

ZANESVILLE DISTRICT.—Malta, $22.50; Newark, $33.25; Zanesville, $51; Band, $1; Second Street, Young Ladies, $6.21. Total, $113.96.

Somerset, bequest of Jane Cartlich, $485. Total, $485.

Mite-boxes, $56.58. Total, $56.58.

Mothers' Jewels, $33.75. Total, $33.75.

Thank-offering, $21.91. Total, $21.91.

Total to General Fund, ... $1,597.70.

Special General Fund.—Columbus: King Avenue, 35 cents; Third Avenue, $30; Wesley Chapel, $3; Delaware: St. Paul, $2.70; Ironton: Spencer Chapel, $10; Circle, $22; Nelsonville, $5; Newark, $5; Portsmouth: Bigelow Church, $5; Stratford, 20 cents; Worthington, $4; Zanesville, $8.45. Total, $95.70.

Emergency Fund.—Athens, $4; Chillicothe; Walnut Street, $44.15; Circleville, $5; Columbus: King Avenue, $14.81; Neil Avenue, $10; Third Avenue, $5; Town Street, $25; Delaware: St. Paul, $46.10; London, $5; Newark, $5; New Holland, $5; Portsmouth: Bigelow Church, $20; Slate Mills, $5; Stratford, $5; Washington C. H., $5; Worthington, $6; Zanesville, $12. Total, $222.06.

Total to General Special Fund, ... $317.76.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Asheville.*—Columbus: Town Street, $10. Total, $10.

Harwood Home.—Columbus: Third Avenue, $20; Zanesville, $10. Total, $30.

Jesse Lee Home.—Columbus: Wesley Chapel, $13.52; Jackson, $1.50. Total, $15.02.

Mothers' Jewels Home.—Chillicothe: Walnut Street, $50; Voucher, $4. Total, $54.

Ritter Home.—Columbus: Broad Street, Young Ladies, $40; Third Avenue, $20; Band, $20; Young Ladies, $40. Total, $120.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $229.02.

Special Fund.—*Asheville.*—Columbus: Town Street, $10. Total, $10.

Albuquerque.—Delaware: St. Paul, $13.60; Jackson, $5. Total, $18.60.

E. E. Marcy Home.—Slate Mills: Morris Chapel, $5. Total, $5.

Immigrant Home, New York.—Columbus: Broad Street, $40; Young

Ladies, $21.61; King Avenue, $50; Delaware: St. Paul, $13.60; Jackson, $5; Logan, $8; Marietta, $10; Newark, $50; Slate Mills: Morris Chapel, $5; Zanesville, $20. Total, $223.21.

Jesse Lee Home.—Ironton, $1.50. Total, $1.50.

Mothers' Jewels Home.—Columbus: Neil Avenue, Band, $2.50; Ironton, $7. Total, $9.50.

Total Special Fund, ... $267.81.
Grand total, ... 2,412.29.
Local Work, ... 402.16.

Oklahoma Conference.

MRS. J. N. BENNINGTON, Secretary.

General Fund.—From rent and tuition at Pawhuska, $159.95. Total, $159.95.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.*—Mrs. A. L. Sims, Arapahoe, $5; Mrs. Eliza Lamb Armour, Cantonment, $5; Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Murray, Pawhuska, $10. Total, $20.

Total Special General Fund, ... $20.00.
Grand total, ... 179.95.

Oregon Conference.

MRS. ALVIRA F. BENNETT, Treasurer.

General Fund.—EUGENE DISTRICT.—Ashland, $7.75; Roseburg, $4. Total, $11.75.

PORTLAND DISTRICT.—Forest Grove, $2; Oregon City, $2.25; Portland: Centenary, $5; Central, $8.75; First Church, $13; Patton, $5; Taylor Street, $15.50; Trinity, $1.75; Warrenton, $1. Total, $54.25.

SALEM DISTRICT.—Albany, $13.75; Dayton, $2; Salem, $15.25; Conference Society, $2. Total, $33.

Mite-boxes—Portland: Trinity, 38 cents. Total, 38 cents.

Total General Fund, ... $99.38.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.*—Portland: Taylor Street, $12; Mrs. Laura A. Cranston, $5. Total, $17.

Total Special General Fund, ... $17.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Stickney Home.*—Portland: Central, $3; Mt. Tabor, $9.39; Patton, 60 cents; Taylor Street, $5; Salem: First Church, $25.60; without special credits, $29.65. Total, $73.24.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $73.24.
Grand total, ... 189.62.

Philadelphia Conference.

MRS. I. DAILEY, Treasurer, Trevose, Bucks County, Pa.

General Fund.—NORTH PHILADELPHIA DISTRICT.—East Allegheny, Circle, $7; East Montgomery, $7; Frankford, $114.50; Philadelphia: Kensington, $16.10; Fifth Street, $18; Somerton, $15; Summerfield, $43.25. Total, $220.85.

NORTHWEST PHILADELPHIA DISTRICT.—Philadelphia: Germantown: First Church, $57; Young Ladies, $13.25; Grace, $71; Park Avenue, $58; Pottsville, Circle, $22; Fifth, $1; Kensington, $8; St. Stephens', $30.25; Simpson, Band, $10; Thirteenth Street, $16; Tioga, $23; Trinity, $37; Tabernacle, $52.85. Total, $399.35.

SOUTH PHILADELPHIA DISTRICT.—Philadelphia: Arch Street, $45; Chester: Madison Street, $43; Chester Heights, $1; Ebenezer, $18; Pros-

pect Park, $9.50; Band, $5; St. Paul's, $2; South Chester, $7.50; Wharton Street, $34.20; Phœnixville, Circle, $2. Total, $167.20.

WEST PHILADELPHIA DISTRICT.—Philadelphia: Christ Church, $61; Young Ladies, $1.75; Circle, $1.75; Fortieth Street, $4; Green Street, $34; Radnor, Circle, $16; Spring Garden, $75; Circle, $5.98; Band, $1; Thirteenth Avenue, $12; S. Luke's, $7. Total, $219.48.

Leaflets, $2. Total, $2.

Mite-boxes.—Philadelphia: First Church, $14.41. Total, $14.41.

Mothers' Jewels, $12.85. Total, $12.85.

Reports, $15. Total, $15.

Total to General Fund, ... $1,051.14.

Special General Fund.—Philadelphia: First Church, $125; Park Avenue, $11.33; anniversary collections, $3.85; Germantown: First Church, $75; Somerton, $10. Total, $225.18.

Emergency Fund.—Philadelphia: Arch Street, $50; Chester, $2; Christ Church, $15; donations, $25; First Church, $16.80; Fortieth, $10; Frankford, $21; Grace, $48; Greene Street, $15; Indian Committee, $10; Kensington, $10; R. W. P. Goff, $10; Mrs. Palen, $10; Park Avenue, $30; Siloam Band, $5; Somerton, $5; Spring Garden, $10; Circle, $2; Summerfield, $5; St. Stephen's, $11; Tabernacle, $35; Thirteenth Street, $5; Tioga, $15. Total, $365.80.

Total to Special General Fund, ... $590.98.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.*—Spring Garden, $20; Tabernacle, $5; donations, $102. Total, $127.

Ritter Home.—Grace, $80; Spring Garden, Circle, $10. Total, $90.

Simpson Home.—Philadelphia: Arch Street Young Ladies, $40; Grace, Band, $40; Spring Garden, $5. Total, $85.

Watts de Peyster.—Germantown: Christ Church, Circle, $30. Total, $30.

Total to Beneficiary Fund, ... $332.

Special Fund.—*Alaska.*—Chester: Madison Street, $4. Total, $4.

Asheville, Philadelphia.—Germantown: Christ Church, Circle, $2.50; First Church, $5; Kensington, $5; Spring Garden Band, $1.80; Circle, 70 cents; Young Ladies, $10. Total, $25.

Deaconess Home, Piladelphia.—Conference, $2,679.18; endowment fund, $90. (Vouchers.) Total, $2,769.18.

Immigrant Home, Philadelphia.—Conference, $497.84. (Vouchers.) Total, $497.84.

Jesse Lee Home.—Spring Garden, Circle, 75 cents. Total, 75 cents.

Ponca.—Philadelphia: Green Street, $2; Siloam Band, $2; Tabernacle, $3. Total, $7.

Utah.—Spring Garden, Circle, $10. Total, $10.

Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—Christ Church, $3; Northwest District, $10. Total, $13.

Total to Special Fund, ... $3,326.77.

Grand total, ... 5,300.89.

Pittsburg Conference.

MRS. A. R. INGRAM, Treasurer, 12 Sampson Street, Allegheny, Pa.

General Fund.—ALLEGHENY DISTRICT.—Allegheny: Buena Vista Street, $9.70; Beaver, $29.01; Bellevue, $15; Butler, $65.50; Calvary, $15; Circle, $14; Linden Avenue, $29.50; New Brighton, Circle, $1.52; North Avenue, $57.50; Circle, $11; Sewickly, $16; Sharpsburg, $16.50; Tarentum, $19; Union, $27.25; Valencia Band, $8.50. Total, $334.98.

BLAIRSVILLE DISTRICT.—Apollo, $7.75; Blairsville, $31; Indiana, $23.50; Kittanning, $17; Latrobe, $21.27; Mansion Centre, $14; New Florence, Circle, $3.50. Total, $118.02.

MCKEESPORT DISTRICT.—McKeesport: Coursin Street, $8.50; First Church, $139.50; Scottdale, $46.75; Wakefield Chapel, $2.50; West Newton, $17.10. Total, $214.35.

PITTSBURG DISTRICT.—Pittsburg: Butler, $58.87; Centenary, $7.80; Christ Church, $48.30; Crafton, $14.25; Circle, $3; Emory, $31; Circle, $18; Hamilton, $2; Lincoln, $8.50; Oakland, $16.25; Smithfield Street, $53; Washington Avenue, $13; West End, $17.50; Wilkinsburg, $44.40; Band, $4.75; Verona, $11.50. Total, $352.12.

WASHINGTON DISTRICT.—Washington: Jefferson Avenue, $71; Wellsburg Mission, $5; Circle, $4. Total, $80.

Mothers' Jewels, $13.15. Total, $13.15.

Total General Fund, ... $1,112.62.

Special General Fund.—*Missionary Salary, Ukiah, California.*—Pittsburg: Emory Church, $20. Total, $20.

Emergency Fund.—Allegheny: Bellevue, $16.28; Blairsville, $5; Buena Vista, $10; Butler, $5; Calvary, $10; Indiana, $10; Linden Avenue, $20; North Avenue, Circle, $5.50; McKeesport: First Church, $30; New Florence, $5; Pittsburg, through Miss Carnahan, $15; Butler Street, $30; Emory, $45; Circle, $10; Centenary, $5; Christ Church, $61; Lincoln Avenue, $10; Smithfield Street, $40; Scottdale, $20; Sharpsburg, $8; Washington, $5; League, $5; Wellsburg, Circle, $5; West Newton, $8.35; Wilkinsburg, $65; League, $5; through Conference Treasurer, $15. Total, $469.13.

Total to Special General Fund, ... $489.13.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Jesse Lee Home.*—Allegheny: Calvary, $10; North Avenue, Circle, $8.50; Pittsburg: Butler, $5; Emory, Circle, $50; Scottdale, $8; Washington: Jefferson Avenue, $18; Circle, $15; West Newton, $6.45. Total, $120.95.

King Home.—For Sarah Watson. Pittsburg: Smithfield Street, $20. Total, $20.

Ritter Home.—Washington: Jefferson Avenue, $40; Wellsburg, $26; Circle, $4. Total, $70.

Total to Beneficiary Fund, ... $210.95.

Special Fund.—*Asheville.*—Pittsburg: Smithfield Street, $10; Washington, Circle, $5. Total, $15.

Deaconess Home, Pittsburg.—Conference, $986.80; voucher, $255.61. Total, $1,242.41.

Frontier Work.—Conference, $30.21. Total, $30.21.

Jesse Lee Home.—Pittsburg: Butler, $10; Centenary, $2; Scottdale, $2.62. Total, $14.62.

Ritter Home, Furnishing Cot.—Pittsburg: Christ Church, $5; Centenary, $1; Crafton, $1; Linden Avenue, $2; Wilkinsburg, $1. Total, $10.

Work in Coke Regions.—Conference, $128.09. Total, $128.09.

Total to Special Fund, ... $1,440.33.
Grand total, ... 3,253.03.
Local Work, ... 647.58.

Puget Sound Conference.

MRS. W. S. HARRINGTON, Treasurer.

General Fund.—NEW WHATCOM DISTRICT.—New Whatcom: First Church, $5.25; Trinity, $12.75. Total, $18.

OLYMPIA DISTRICT.—Aberdeen, $6; Bay Center, $4.50; Centralia, $6.25; Chehalis, $9.50; Cosmopolis, $3.25; Fisher, $8.50; Circle, $1.35; Gray's River, $10.50; Thank-offering, 55 cents; Mite-box, $1; Monteseno, $4; Vancouver: First Church, $5.36; Willapa, $3. Total, $63.76.

SEATTLE DISTRICT.—Everett, $6.65; Seattle: First Church, $25; Grace, 76 cents; Trinity, $3; Snohomish: First Church, $5.50. Total, $40.91.

TACOMA DISTRICT.—Oak Harbor, $2.40; Tacoma: Epworth, Circle, $10.75; First Church, $6; without special credits, $20.75. Total, $39.90.

Mite-boxes, $3.85. Total, $3.85.

Total General Fund, ... $166.42.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.*—Bay Center, $3; Everett, $1; Gray's River, $2.24; New Whatcom: Trinity, 25 cents; Seattle: First Church, $5. Total, 11.49.

Stickney Home.—Bay Center, $3; Centralia, $3; Chehalis, $2.37; Everett, $14.10; Gray's River, $1.50; Monteseno, 55 cents; Snohomish, 20 cents; Tacoma: First Church, $1.50; without special credits, $12.25. Total, $38.47.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $49.96.
Grand total, ... 216.38.
Local Work, ... 90.50.

Rock River Conference.

MRS. MARY S. DYCHE, Treasurer, Evanston, Illinois.

General Fund.—CHICAGO DISTRICT.—Chicago: Auburn Park, $22.50 Hyde Park, $30; Light House, $9; Mendota, $13.50; Oakland, $67; South Park Avenue, $21.80. Total, $163.80.

DIXON DISTRICT.—Dixon, $25.30; Morrison, $2.50; Princeton, $25.50; Rock Falls, $15.10; Sterling, $20.50; Walnut, $8.50. Total, $97.40.

FREEPORT DISTRICT.—Freeport: Enosburg, $22; First Church, $24; Camp-meeting, $8; Galena, $7.50; Morris, $12; Polo, $27.05. Total, $100.55.

JOLIET DISTRICT.—Aurora: First Church, $27; Batavia, $12; Joliet: Ottawa Street, $25. Total, $64.

NORTH CHICAGO DISTRICT.—Evanston: Emmanuel, $31; First Church, $119; Young Ladies, $15.50; Chicago: Grace, $25; Hemenway, $39; Oak Park, $37; Park Avenue, $11; Rosenswood, $49.88; Roger's Park, $23; Waukegan, $12; Wheaton, $27; Western Avenue, $12.50. Total, $401.88.

ROCKFORD DISTRICT.—Belvidere, $19.20; Charter Grove, $8; Dundee, $24.75; Elgin: First Church, $47.50; Grace, $33.67; Franklinville, $14.25; Genoa, $5.30; Marengo, $10.75; Ney, $9; Nunda, $7.75; Rockford Union, $73.50; Woodstock, $6; District, $4. Total, $263.67.

Mothers' Jewels, $27. Total, $27.

Mite-boxes, $54.06. Total, $54.06.

Leaflet Fund, 50 cents. Total, 50 cents.

Total to General Fund, ... $1,172.86.

Special General Fund.—*Teachers' Salaries.*—Evanston, Young Ladies, $25; Western Avenue, $20; mite-boxes, $13.40. Total, $58.40.

Emergency Fund.—Belvidere, $15; Chicago: Auburn Park, $15; Hyde Park, $2.50; Park Avenue, $3.45; Ravenswood, $5; Western Avenue, $25; Dixon, $5; Elgin: First Church, $5; Grace, $25; Evanston: First Church, $20; Young Ladies, $19.60; Hemenway, $8; Mrs. J. H. Bayliss, $5; Freeport: Embury Church, $20; Geneva, $14.75; Galena, $10; Morris, $15; Oakland, $25; Princeton, $15; Rockford, $5; Shirland, $5; Waukegan, $10; Wheaton, $5. Total, $278.30.

Total to Special General Fund, ... $336.70.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Haven Home.*—Ravenswood, $10. Total, $10.
Jesse Lee Home.—Kenwood, $25. Total, $25.
Thayer Home.—Mrs. Simeon Farwell, $40. Total, $40.
Total to Beneficiary Fund, ... $75.

Special Fund.—*Frontier Work.*—Evanston: Emmanuel Church, $15; Chicago: Western Avenue, $5. Total, $20.
E. E. Marcy Home.—Chicago, $1,470.03. Total, $1,470.03.
Total to Special Fund, ... $1,490.03.
Grand total, ... 3,074.59.

St. Louis Conference.

MRS. E. J. TUTTLE, Treasurer, 1209 East Seventeenth Street, Kansas City, Missouri.

General Fund.—CARTHAGE DISTRICT.—Carthage, $14. Total, $14.
FARMINGTON DISTRICT.—West Plains, $4. Total, $4.
KANSAS CITY DISTRICT.—Kansas City, $41.50; Dundee Place, $6; Grand Avenue, $23; Circle, $10. Total, $80.50.
SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.—Springfield: Benton Avenue, $7. Total, $7.
Conference Gatherings, $12. Total, $12.
Mite-boxes: Kansas City, $1.50. Total, $1.50.
Total to General Fund, ... $119.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Harwood Home.*—Springfield: Benton Ave., $8. Total, $8.
Total to Beneficiary Fund, ... $8.00.
Grand total, ... 127.00.
Local Work, ... 40.00.

South Carolina Conference.

MRS. F. M. PRIESTLY, Treasurer, Greenville, South Carolina.

General Fund.—CHARLESTON DISTRICT.—Charleston: Centenary, $3; Orangeburg: Trinity, $11.25; without special credit, $1.50. Total, $15.75.
GREENVILLE DISTRICT.—Greenville, $19. Total, $19.
Total to General Fund, ... $34.75.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.*—Mrs. A. A. Gordon, $5. Total, $5.
Total Special General Fund, ... $5.00.
Grand total, ... 39.75.
Local Work, ... 4.20.

South Kansas Conference.

MRS. M. V. ROBBINS, Treasurer, Baldwin, Kansas.

General Fund.—EMPORIA DISTRICT.—Emporia, $23.90. Total, $23.90.
FORT SCOTT DISTRICT.—Fort Scott: First Church, $10. Total, $10.
INDEPENDENCE DISTRICT.—Chetopia, $17.65. Total, $17.65.
OTTAWA DISTRICT.—Baldwin, $7.37; Garnett, $9.85. Total, $17.22.
Conference Society, $3.76; *Conference Treasurer*, $3. Total, $6 76.
Total to General Fund, ... $75.53.

Special General Fund.—Special collections, 70 cents; mite-boxes, 24 cents. Total, 94 cents.

Emergency Fund.—Emporia: First Church, $11; Emporia, thank-offering, $11.75. Total, $22.75.

Total to Special General Fund, ... $23.69.
Grand total, ... 99.22.
Local Work, ... 19.27.

Southern California Conference.

MRS. L. M. HUTTON, Treasurer, 1007 W. Twenty-first Street, Los Angeles, California.

General Fund. — FRESNO DISTRICT. — Fresno, $3; Circle, $3.60; Hueneme, $7.75; Reedley, $8.50; Mite-boxes, $1.50; Santa Barbara, $18.75; Tulare, $8.70; Waukena, $10. Total, $61.80.

LOS ANGELES DISTRICT.—Alhambra, $13; Camp-meeting, $3.27; Compton, $12; Thank-offering, $4; Florence, $7.75; Gardena, $3.25; Long Beach, $21.05; Band, 53 cents; Los Angeles: Asbury, $15.50; Boyle Heights, $19.50; Circle, $32; Central, $23.90; Circle, $11.25; Central Avenue, $6.25; First Church, $81; Circle, $8.55; Thank-offering, $12.25; Band, $1.51; Haven, $11.55; Simpson, $19.50; Junior Epworth League, 72 cents; Pico, $3; University, $27.46; Band, $1.03; Circle, $15; Union Avenue, $13; Vincent, $19; Pasadena: First Church, $77.80; Band. $2.93; South, $2; Band, $3.44; Pomona, $39; Saticoy and Montaloo, $3. Total, $514.99.

SAN DIEGO DISTRICT.—Arlington, $8.50; Artesia, $3.80; Covina, $17.50; East Riverside, $4.25; Escondido, $11.95; Fall Brook, Band, 27 cents; Fullerton, $1; Garden Grove, $14.75; Glendora, $17.65; Band, 60 cents; Highlands, $10; Lordsburg, $4; Circle, $7.90; Nestor and Otay, $3.20; Ontario, $20; Band, $4; Orange, $8; Otay, Oneonta, and Nestor, $4.20; Band, $2.70; Persia, $1.75; Band, $1.50; Redlands, $16.75; Band, $3.75; Riverside, $44.55; Band, $1; Rialto, $5; San Diego: First Church, $24.85; Santa Ana, $29.10; Circle, $10.25, Westminster, $7.52; Whittier, $2; Winchester, $6.50. Total, $298.79.

Mothers' Jewels, $1.90. Total, $1.90.

Total General Fund, ... $877.48.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.*—Los Angeles: Asbury, $5; Lordsburg, $5; Ontario, $10; Rialto, $5; Santa Ana, $25; San Diego: First Church, $30; Mrs. Creary, $5. Total, $85.

Total Special General Fund, ... $85.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Asheville.*—Santa Ana, $20. Total, $20.

Albuquerque.—Alhambra, $10; Los Angeles: Central, $1; Simpson, $2. Total, $13.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $33.

Special Fund.—*Deaconess Work in Los Angeles.*—Vouchers, $347.69. Total, $347.69.

Oriental Work in Los Angeles.—San Diego, $40; Conference, $772.52. (Vouchers.) Total, $812.52.

Frontier Work.—(Vouchers.). $551. Total, $551.

Total Special Fund, ... $1,711.21.
Grand total, ... 2,706.69.
Local Work, ... 20.00.

NOTE.—The Treasurer reports Special Fund for Deaconess Work, $92, and for Frontier Work $355.94, for which there are no vouchers, hence these sums are not included in the above report.

Southern Illinois Conference.

MRS. S. A. CRENSHAW, Treasurer, Wahenda, Illinois.

General Fund.—Carbondale, $1.10; Conference gatherings, $9; Lebanon, in memory of Miss Caroline Hypes, $1. Total, $11.10.

Total General Fund, ... $11.10.
Grand total, ... 11.10.

Southwest Kansas Conference.

MRS. J. W. KIRKWOOD, Treasurer, 325 N. Lawrence Avenue, Wichita, Kans.

General Fund.—GARDEN CITY DISTRICT.—Dodge City, $5. Total, $5.
MCPHERSON DISTRICT.—Marion, $10; Pleasant View, $9.25. Total, $19.25.
NEWTON DISTRICT.—Elmer, $3.75; Hutchinson, $25.50; Mitchell, $13.50; Newton, $32.25; Mite-box, 30 cents; Nickerson, $2; Sedgwick, $10.75. Total, $88.05.
WICHITA DISTRICT.—Coats, $13; Garden Plain, $5.25; Godard, $2.25; Jamesburg, $9; Mulvane, $4.25; Seltzer, $14; Wichita: Dodge Avenue, $15.25; First Church, $65.25; life-member, $10. Total, $138.25.
WINFIELD DISTRICT.—Arkansas City, $17.50; Atlanta, $1.75; Brownlow, $1.75; Burden, $4.25; Latham, $1.75; Wellington, $15.25; Winfield, $13.50; mite-box, $2.27. Total, $58.02.
Leaflet Fund.—Seltzer, 25 cents. Total, 25 cents.
Paid Conference Organizer, voucher, $117.30. Total, $117.30.

Total General Fund, ... $426.12.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.*—Arkansas City, $5; Jamesburg, $10; Seltzer, $5; Mitchell, $25. Total, $45.
Missionary Salary.—Wellington, $5. Total, $5.

Total Special General Fund, ... $50.

Special Fund.—*Frontier Work.*—Voucher, $35. Total, $35.

Total Special Fund, ... $35.00.
Grand total, ... $11.12.
Local Work, ... 54.35.

Tennessee Conference.

MISS ABBIE BARRY, Treasurer, Central Tennessee College, Nashville, Tenn.

General Fund.—Nashville: Central Tennessee College Auxiliary, $6. Total, $6.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.*—Miss E. Millard, Philadelphia, $5. Total, $5.

Grand total, ... $11.

Texas Conference.

MRS. J. B. SCOTT, Treasurer, Marshall, Texas.

General Fund.—HOUSTON DISTRICT.—Marshall: Trinity, $12. Total, $12.

Total General Fund, ... $12.

Emergency Fund.—Miss E. O. Elliott, $5; Miss Clara L. King, $5. Total, $10.

Total Emergency Fund, ... $10.
Grand total, ... 22.

Troy Conference.

MISS HELENA IDE, Treasurer, 386 Fourth Avenue, Lansingburg, N. Y.

General Fund.—ALBANY DISTRICT.—Albany: First Church, $36; Grace, $21; St. Luke's, $14; Trinity, $75; Ash Grove, $25; Greenbush, $50; Rotterdam, $5; Schenectady: First Church, $21; State Street, $14. Total, $261.

BURLINGTON DISTRICT.—Bennington, $21.75; Bristol, $5; Burlington, $76; Cambridge, $10; Granville, $25; Hinesburg, $5; Middleburg, $15; Pittsford, Circle, $10; Poultney, $26; Raceville, $13; Rutland, $28.50; Shelburne, $12. Total, $247.25.

PLATTSBURG DISTRICT.—Fort Edward, $15; Band, $3; Glens Falls, $50; Keesville, $5; Plattsburg, $35; Moriah, $6; South Glens Falls, $10; Saranac Lake, $1; Westport, $19. Total, $144.

SARATOGA DISTRICT.—Ballston, $6; Cohoes: Remsen Street, $14; Galway, $1.50; Gloversville: First Church, $98; Fremont Street, $67; N. Main Street, $19.50; Green Island, $20; Circle, $5; Greenwich, $47; Johnstown: Men's Auxiliary, $30; Jonesville, $26; Circle, $7; Mechanicsville, $30; Newtonville, $12; Round Lake, $25; Saratoga, $26; Circle, $20.10; Willow Glen, $4.50. Total, $458.60.

TROY DISTRICT.—Dalton, $14.50; Hoosick Falls, $9; Lansingburg: First Church, $44; Hedding Church, $18.25; North Adams, $34; North Nassau, $7; Pittsfield, $35; Troy: Fifth Avenue, $50; State Street, $38; Valley Falls, $15.25. Total, $265.

Mothers' Jewels, $2.40. Total, $2.40.

Total General Fund, ... $1,378.25.

Special General Fund.—Albany: Ash Grove, $5; St. Luke's, $7; Dalton, $5; Greenbush, $55; Greenwich, $5; Gloversville: N. Main Street, $3; Bennington, $2; Hoosick Falls, $2; Jonesville, $2; North Adams, $22.86; Lansingburg, $25; Round Lake, $22; Schenectady, $3.60; Troy: Fifth Avenue, $50; State Street, $14.89; Shelbourne, $1.18; Valcom: Epworth League, $3; Watervliet, $10; Middleburg, $1.61; Schenectady, $31. Total, $271.14.

Emergency Fund.—Albany: Ash Grove, $17; First Church, $25; St. Luke's, $8; Burlington, $11; Dalton, $5; Glens Falls, $10; a friend, $10; Mrs. Mary Russell, $5; Gloversville: First Church, $48.19; Fremont Street, $5; Greenbush, $5; Greenwich, $10; Lansingburg: First Church, $60; Hedding Church, $5; Schuylerville, $5; North Adams, $15; Pittsfield, $20; Plattsburg, $35.33; Stillwater, $5; Round Lake, $10; Troy: Fifth Avenue, $40; State Street, $10; Watervliet: Third Avenue, $3.87; West Point, $10. Total, $378.39.

Total Special General Fund, ... $649.53.

Beneficiary Fund. - *Alaska.*—Glens Falls, $50. Total, $50.

Dulce.—Albany: St. Luke's, $5; Brandon, $1; Clifton Park; 10; Greenbush, $60; Greenwich, $2.40; Plattsburg, $10; Poultney, $3.03; Riceville, $3.49; Troy: Fifth Avenue, $30; State, $1. Total, $125.92.

Kent Home.—Gloversville: First Church, $40. Total, $40.

Jesse Lee Home.—Albany: Ash Grove, $5; Conference, $45. Total, $50.

New Jersey Home.—Gloversville: Fremont Street, $31; Johnstown: Men's Auxiliary, $25; Lansingburg: Hedding Church, $11; Round Lake, $20; Troy: State Street, $20; Williamstown, $5. Total, $112.

Ritter Home.—Burlington, $20; Burlington District, $12.50; Cambridge, $6; Rutland, $5. Total, $43.50.

Watts de Peyster.—Gloversville: First Church, $5; Greenwich, $5;

Lansingburg: First Church, $5; Hedding, $5; Mechanicsville, $5; Tivoli, $20; Troy: Fifth Avenue, $17.87; Williamston, $5. Total, $67.87.
Oriental Work.—Conference, $30. Total, $30.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $519.29.

Special Fund.—*Alaska.*—Valley Falls, $5. Total, $5.
Albuquerque.—Gloversville: First Church, $50; Plattsburg District, $50. Total, $100.
Dulce.—A friend, through Mrs. Simpson, $30. Total, $30.
Frontier Work.—Galway, voucher, $3.50. Total, $3.50.
Haven Home.—Valley Falls, $5. Total, $5.
Jesse Lee Home.—Poultney: T. C. A., $5. Total, $5.
Immigrant Home, N. Y.—Troy: Fifth Avenue, $20. Total, $20.
Navajoes.—Albany: Grace, $5; St. Luke's, $15; Poultney, $5; Stillwater: First Avenue, $5. Total, $30.
Rest Home.—Conference, $3; Ballston, $10; Cohoes, $1; Johnstown: Men's Auxiliary, $1. Total, $15.

Total Special Fund, ... $213.50.
Grand total, ... 2,760.57.
Local Work, ... 1,054.11.

Upper Iowa Conference.

Mrs. R. B. VAN NESS, Treasurer, Marion, Iowa.

To General Fund.—CEDAR FALLS DISTRICT.—Cedar Falls, $38; Clarksville, $15.75; Greene, $14.25; Janesville, $12; La Porte City, $16.25; Band, $6; Nashua, $6.50; Band, $4.17; Raymond, $21.35; Rockford, $7.25; Shell Rock, $14.60; Sumner, $11.25; Waterloo: First Church, $44; Grace, $40; Waverly, $19.25. Total, $270.62.

CEDAR RAPIDS DISTRICT.—Anamosa, $40.53; Cedar Rapids, $68.75; Iowa City, $52.20; Marion, $16.25; Mechanicsville, $22.25; Mt. Vernon, $63.62; Prairie Chapel, $17.25; Simpson Chapel, $13.98; Springville, $12.25; Tipton, $33.20; Traer, $13.75; Wesley Chapel, $3.25. Total, $357.28.

DAVENPORT DISTRICT.—Bennett, $5.50; Center Junction, $13; Clinton, $37; Davenport: First Church, $34; Fourteenth Street, $12; De Witt, $11; Elwood, $4.50; Maquoketa, $37.50; McCausland, $6; Vernon Prairie, $10.25; Wyoming, $20. Total, $190.75.

DECORAH DISTRICT.—Charles City, $45.50. Total, $45.50.

DUBUQUE DISTRICT.—Delhi, $4.25; Dubuque, $53; Edgewood, $8.50; Epworth, $21.50; Farley, $16.65; Fayette, $29.50; Greeley, $14; Hopkinton, $14; Independence, $12.50; Johns Creek, $11; Lamont, $15.05; Manchester, $74.75; Prairie Center, $10; Strawberry Point, $3.50; Winthrop, $12. Total, $300.20.

MARSHALLTOWN DISTRICT.—Belle Plaine, $26; Blairstown, $6; Hampton, $51.50; Haven, $10; Mason City, $47.91; Circle, $3; Sheffield, $13 40; State Center, $5. Total, $162.81.
Leaflet Fund, $1.50. Total, $1.50.
Mothers' Jewels, $2.60. Total, $2.60.

Total to General Fund, ... $1,331.26.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.*—Davenport: First Church, $5; Dubuque, $5.31; Fayette, $10; Independence, $8.50; Iowa City, $30; Janesville, $5; Maquoketa, $15; Marshalltown, $5; Mt. Vernon, $11.50; Vernon Prairie, $5; Waterloo: First Church, $10; Waverly, $5; Winthrop, $5; Wyoming, $5. Total, $125.31.
Teachers' Salaries.—Anamosa, $12; Belle Plaine, $5; Blairstown, $5; Center Junction, $5; Charles City, $10; Clinton, $30; Davenport: First

Church, $25; Fourteenth Street, $10; DeWitt, $4.50; Dubuque, $20; Epworth, $5; Hopkinton, $5; Independence, $11.35; Iowa City, $24.15; Johns Creek, $6.60; Lamont, $11; Manchester, 10.40; Maquoketa, $10; Marion, $8.15; Mason, $13.36; Mt. Vernon, $10; Prairie Center, $5; Raymond, $13.48; Rockford, $14.25; Sheffield, $5; Shell Rock, $2.25; Simpson Chapel, $6.87; Springville, $5.68; State Center, $7; Tipton, $15; Traer, $5; Vernon Prairie, $10; Waterloo: First Church, $19.75; Grace, $13.54; Waverly, $10. Total, $374.33.

Total to Special General Fund, ... $499.64.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Boylan Home.*—Anamosa, $9.40. Total, $9.40.
Haven Home.—Anamosa, $9. Total, $9.
Bennett Home.—Cedar Rapids, $33. Total, $33.
King Home.—Anamosa, $10.47. Total, $10.47.
Jesse Lee Home.—Davenport: First Church, $22; Fourteenth Street, $20; Dubuque, $15; Hopkinton, 60 cents; Charles City, $5; La Porte City, $10; District Camp-meeting, $15. Total, $87.60.
Emerson Home.—Anamosa, $15.25. Total, $15.25.
Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—Anamosa, $3.75; Belle Plaine, $8.05; Cedar Falls, $15; Charles City, $20.75; Center Junction, $8.40; Davenport: First Church, $10; Fourteenth Street, $8.30; Grace, $4; Dubuque, $35.46; Edgewood, $5; Epworth, $6; Fayette, $5.65; Greeley, $6; Hampton, $5.44; Hopkinton, $3.70; Iowa City, $22; Lamont, $5; Laporte City, $2.75; Manchester, $15.36; Marion, $2.50; Mason City, $13.28; Mechanicsville, $3; Prairie Center, $5; Rockford, $2.24; Shell Rock, $2.25; Springville, $7.50; State Center, $3; Traer, $4.35; Waterloo: First Church, $15.25; Grace, $4; Waverly, $2; Wesley Chapel, $5; Wyoming, $5; without special credit, $17.10. Total, $282.08.
Oriental Work.—Charles City, $5; Hopkinton, 50 cents; Dubuque, $15. Total, $20.50.
Utah.—Hopkinton, 50 cents; Prairie Center, $5; Vernon Prairie, $5.70; Waterloo: Grace, $4; Wesley Chapel, $4.75; Wyoming, $5.65. Total, $25.60.

Total to Beneficiary Fund, ... $492.90.

Special Fund.—*Deaconess Home.*—Des Moines, $76.83. Total, $76.83.
E. E. Marcy Home.—Iowa City, 50 cents. Total, 50 cents.
Mothers' Jewels Home.—Sumner, $12.50. Total, $12.50.

Total to Special Fund, ... $89.83.
Grand total, ... 2,413.63.

Utah Mission.

General Fund.—Corinne, 75 cents; Salt Lake City: First Church, $26; rent of Spencer Home, $4.20. Total, $30.95.

Total General Fund, ... $30.95.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.*—Mrs. M. E. Spence, $5; Mrs. Jennie M. Hanson, $5; Miss Melissa Briggs, $5. Total, $15.

Total Emergency Fund, ... $15.00.
Grand total, ... 45.95.

Vermont Conference.

MRS. F. W. LEWIS, Treasurer, Bellows Falls, Vermont.

General Fund.—MONTPELIER DISTRICT.—Ascutneyville, $12; Bellows Falls, $32.50; Bradford, $18; Brownsville, $4; Claremont Junction Camp-meeting, $4 50; Gaysville, $1; Hartland, $6.55; Montpelier, $27; Circle, $2.50; Northfield, $4; Randolph Center, $3; South Londonderry, $1; Wilmington, $3.25. Total, $119.30.

ST. ALBANS DISTRICT.—Enosburg Falls, $16; Fairfax, $8; Franklin, $3.50; Georgia, $3.50; North Fairfax, $3; Richford, $3.80; St. Albans, $21.50; Waitsfield, $4; Waterbury, $2; West Enosburg, $2. Total, $67.30.

ST. JOHNSBURY DISTRICT.—Barre, $15; Cabot, $9; Groton, $5; Irasburg, Circle, $2; Newport, $1; Plainfield, $7.50; St. Johnsbury, $15; St. Johnsbury Center, $7; Williamstown, $13.25; Circle, $6.50; without special credits, $19.22; Conference gatherings, $50.91. Total, $151.38.

Mite-boxes, $19.42. Total, $19.42.

Mothers' Jewels, $2.40. Total, $2.40.

Bequests.—Susan J. Spencer, St. Johnsbury, $50; Frederick A. Ely, West Windsor, $500. Total, $550.

Total General Fund, ... $909.80.

Special General Fund.—Irasburg, $2; Randolph Center, $5; St. Johnsbury, $25; to make Mrs. H. F. Forest a life member, $20; a friend, $25. Total, $77.

Emergency Fund.—Burlington, $5; Irasburg, $4; Mrs. P. N. Granger, $5; Plainfield, $5; Northfield, $15; St. Albans, $10; St. Johnsbury Center, $5; West Burke, $5; West Enosburg, $5; Williamstown, $4; Circle, $1.50. Total, $64.50.

Total Special General Fund, ... $141.50.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Haven Home.*—Enosburg Falls, Mrs. F. A. Irish, $10, voucher. Total, $10.

Jesse Lee Home.—Brownsville, Junior League, $3; Irasburg, Circle, $4.25; other sources, $8.25. Total, $15.50.

Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—Bellows Falls, $5; Bradford, $1.25; Bakerfield, $1; Claremont Junction Camp-meeting, $2; Sheldon Camp-meeting, $3.75. Total, $13.

Simpson Home.—A friend, $25. Total, $25.

Stickney Home.—Without special credits, $10.25; Williamstown, $2. Total, $12.25.

Cabot, $2; Barton, $7.15; Bellows Falls, $5; Bradford, $2.55; Enosburg Falls, $6; Georgia, $1.65; Miltonboro, $1; Montpelier, $3.20; North Fairfax, $3.35; Northfield, $2.10; Plainfield, $1; St. Johnsbury, $5; Waterbury, $13; Trustees of Conference, $7. Total, $60.

Of the above amount $30 is for Stickney Home, and $30 for Jesse Lee Home.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $135.75.

Special Fund.—*Deaconess Work.*—Conference, $86.39, voucher. Total, $86.39.

Grand total, ... $1,273.44.

West Nebraska Conference.

MRS. G. F. COOK, Treasurer, 1719 Avenue B, Kearney, Neb.

General Fund.—KEARNEY DISTRICT.—Kearney, $14.75; Loup City, $4; Sumner, $1; Thank offering, 90 cents. Total, $20.65.

NORTH PLATTE DISTRICT.—Loup City, $9.75; District, $3; Conference Fund, $13. Total, $25.75.

Total General Fund, ... $46.40.

Special Fund.—*Mothers' Jewels Home.*—Indianola, $5; Ogallala, $11.21; Orleans, $2; without special credits, by voucher, $14.56. Total, $32.77.

Total Special Fund, ... $32.77.
Grand total, ... 79.17.

West Texas Conference.

MRS. E. S. SPRIGGS, Treasurer, San Antonio, Texas.

General Fund.—AUSTIN DISTRICT.—Austin; Wesley Chapel, $6.05; Belton, $3; Burnett, 50 cents; Liberty Hill, $1; Lockhart, $1.50; Salem 50 cents; Simpson Mission, $1; Union Hill, 50 cents. Total, 14.05.

COLUMBUS DISTRICT.—Alleytown, $2.50; Columbus, $1.60; Edna 50 cents; Flatonia, $1.70; Circle, $1.10; La Grange, $1; Navidad, 50 cents; Oakland, $1; Victoria, $1; Weimar, $1; Weldon, $1. Total, $12.90.

SAN ANTONIO DISTRICT.—Cuero, $3; Elm Slough, $1.30; Goliad, $2; San Antonio: St. Paul's, $4.45. Total, $10.75.

WACO DISTRICT.—Calvert, $3; Marlin, $2; Waco: St. James, $3. Total, $8.

Mothers' Jewels.—Alleytown, 50 cents; Austin: Wesley Chapel, 65 cents; Cuero, 50 cents. Total, $1.65.

Total General Fund, ... $47.35.

Special Fund.—*West Texas Conference Training-school.*—Austin: Wesley Chapel, $20; Flatonia, $11.75; San Antonio: St. Paul's, $20; Conference, $6. Total, $57.75.

Total Special Fund, ... $57.75.
Grand total, ... 105.10.
Local Work, ... 8.50.

West Virginia Conference.

MISS FLORENCE LOWTHER, Sistersville, West Virginia.

General Fund.—Sistersville, through Florence Lowther, $12.75. Total, $12.75.

Total General Fund, ... $12.75.

Emergency Fund.—Mrs. E. E. Stowe, Wheeling, $5. Total, $5.

Total Emergency Fund, ... $5.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Jesse Lee Home.*—Wellsburg, Epworth League, $2. Total, $2.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $2.00.
Grand total, ... 19.75.

West Wisconsin Conference.

MRS. H. W. TROY, Treasurer, Platteville, Wisconsin.

General Fund.—ASHLAND DISTRICT.—Brown, $5. Total, $5.

EAU CLAIRE DISTRICT.—Augusta, $6.75; Barron, $12.10; Bay City, $6; Eau Claire: Lake Street, $27.50; mite-boxes, $4: Fairchild, $2; Hammond, $10.75; Hudson, $21; mite-boxes, $4.30; Merrillon, $2.30; Wheaton, $2.75; Whitehall, $1.25. Total, $100.70.

LA CROSSE DISTRICT.—Baraboo, $25; North Freedom, $1. Total, $26.

MADISON DISTRICT.—Madison, $17; Prairie du Sac, $1; Richland Center, $1; Verona, $9.25. Total, $28.25.

PLATTEVILLE DISTRICT.—Dodgeville, $9.99; Fenimore, $9.25; Platteville, $40. Total, $59.24.

Total General Fund, ... $219.19.

Special General Fund.—Baraboo, $3.50; Dodgeville, $3; Hudson, $5; Verona, $1.55. Total, $13.05.

Emergency Fund.—Augusta, $5; Baraboo: First Church, $5; to make Ada M. Burnhame a life-member, $20; Eau Claire: Lake Street, $5; Hudson, $8.01; Platteville, $16. Total, $59.01.

Total Special General Fund, ... $72.06.

Beneficiary Fund.—*King Home.*—Platteville, $40. Total, $40.
Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $40.

Special Fund. — *Deaconess Work.* — Eau Claire: Lake Street, $12; Hudson, $25. Total, $37.
Mothers' Jewels Home.—Platteville, mite-boxes, $4. Total, $4.
Total Special Fund, ... $41.00.
Grand total, ... 372.25.
Local Work, ... 7.22.

Wilmington Conference.

MRS. E. J. ROBINSON, Treasurer, 905 West Street, Wilmington, Delaware.

General Fund.—DOVER DISTRICT.—Dover, $9.25. Total, $9.25.
EASTON DISTRICT.—Chestertown, $18; Middletown, $29.50. Total, $47.50.
SALISBURY DISTRICT.—Salisbury, $25; Snow Hill, $11. Total, $36.
WILMINGTON DISTRICT.—Elkston, $28; Newark, $12; Band, $10.75; New Castle, $44.21; Band, $6.25; Port Deposit, $17.50; Rising Sun, $21; Scott, $52.75; Band, $19.21; Silverbrook, $4; Wilmington: Asbury, $35.75, Epworth, $28; Grace, $102; Band, $11.25; St. Paul, $50.75; Band, $5.80; Union, $51.25. Total, $500.47.
Mothers' Jewels, $24.80. Total, $24.80.
Mite-boxes, $88.93. Total, $88.93.
Total to General Fund, ... $706.95.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.*—New Castle, Band, $5; Wilmington District, $10; Wilmington: Grace, $30. Total, $45.
Total to Special General Fund, ... $45.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Harwood Home.*—Salisbury, $10. Total, $10.
Jesse Lee Home.—Salisbury, $35; Wilmington: St. Paul's, $5; Grace, Band, $50. Total, $90.
Peck Home.—Elkston, $3; Wilmington: Grace, League, $10. Total, $13.
Ritter Home.—Wilmington: Grace, League, $5; Salisbury: Grace, $5. Total, $10.
Total to Beneficiary Fund, ... $123.

Special Fund.—*Deaconess Home, Wilmington.*—Conference, $37.02. Total, $37.02.
Jesse Lee Home.—Wilmington: St. Paul's, $2. Total, $2.
Oriental Work.—Wilmington: St. Paul's, $3. Total, $3.
Rest Home.—Conference, $20.50. Total, $20.50.
Speedwell.—Wilmington: Asbury, $5; St. Paul's, $5. Total, $10.
Mothers' Jewels Home.—Wilmington: Grace, $4. Total, $4.
Total to Special Fund, ... $76.52.
Grand total, ... 951.47.
Local Work, ... 591.35.

Wisconsin Conference.

MRS. G. F. REYNOLDS, Treasurer, Fond du Lac, Wisconsin.

General Fund.—APPLETON DISTRICT.—Appleton, $41; Stevens Point, Conference member, $1. Total, $42.
FOND DU LAC DISTRICT.—Fond du Lac: Cotton Street, $5.70; Band, $1; Circle, $1; Division Street, $8.30; Sheboygan, $22.20; mite-box, $2; Waupun, $17.75; York, $27.50. Total, $85.46.

MILWAUKEE DISTRICT.—Milwaukee: Trinity, $5; Washington Avenue, $23. Total, $28.
OSHKOSH DISTRICT.—Oshkosh: Algona Street, $21; First Church, $26; Rev. Sanford, $1. Total, $48.

Total General Fund, ... $203.45.

Special General Fund.—Oshkosh: Algona Street, thank-offering, $7.73; Mrs. R. W. Bates, $5. Total, $12.73.
Emergency Fund.—Appleton, $10; Milwaukee: Washington Avenue, $5. Total, $15.

Total Special General Fund, ... $27.73.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Jesse Lee Home.*—Sheboygan, Young People's Society Christian Endeavor, $17. Total, $17.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $17.00.
Grand total, ... 248.18.
Local Work, ... 57.32.

Wyoming Conference.

MRS. FRED. H. HASKINS, Treasurer, 121 Murray Street, Binghamton, N. Y.

General Fund.—BINGHAMTON DISTRICT.—Binghamton: Centenary, $85; Band, $3.25; Chenango Street, $20.25; High Street, $24.75; Tabernacle, $86.50; Susquehanna, $9. Total, $228.75.
CHENANGO DISTRICT.—Mt. Upton, $5.50; Norwich, $17.75; Oxford, $12; collections, $2. Total, $37.25.
HONESDALE DISTRICT.—Carbondale, $18.25; Dunmore, $16; Band, $1; Hawley, $24.81; Jermyn, $41.75. Total, $101.81.
ONEONTA DISTRICT.—Milford, $5.50; Mt. Vision, $5; Sidney, $4, Total, $14.50.
OWEGO DISTRICT.—Newark Valley, $17.25; Owego, $14.75; Waverly, $17.75. Total, $49.75.
WYOMING DISTRICT.—Kingston, $41.75; Nanticoke, $19.50; Scranton: Elm Park, $71; Providence, $10.50; Simpson, $48; Tunkhannock, $13.75; Band, $1.50; West Pittston, $34; Wilkesbarre: Central, $45; First Church, $36; Circle, $11.19. Total, $332.19.
Mite-boxes, $13.07. Total, $13.07.
Mothers' Jewels, $29.40. Total, $29.40.

Total General Fund, ... $806.72.

Special General Fund.—*Salaries.*—Wilkesbarre, Pa., Mrs. Bennett, $250; Wilbesbarre: Central, $9.50; First Church, $80; Binghamton: Centenary, $25; Kingston, $20; Tunkhannock, $6.10; West Pittston, $2. Total $392.60.
Emergency Fund.—Ariel, $2; Binghamton, Band, $10; Tabernacle, $35; Brooklyn, $3; Luzerne, $1; North Sandford, $2; McDonough, $1; Owego, $5; Taylor, $1; Throop, $1; Scranton: Elm Park, $24; Union, $1; Vestal, $1; West Pittston, $15; Wilkesbarre: Central, $16; First Church, $10; Lucy W. Dodson, $5; Circle, through Grace Derr, $5. Total, $138.

Total Special General Fund, ... $530.60.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Jesse Lee Home.*—Binghamton: Tabernacle, $21.50; Newark Valley, $14; Nanticoke, $2; Scranton: Simpson, $13.28. Total, $50.78.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $50.78.

Special Fund.—*Asheville.*—Binghamton: Centenary, $50. Total, $50.
Bennett Home.—West Pittston, $25; Wilkesbarre: First Church, $125; Mrs. Bennett, $50. Total, $200.
Harwood Home.—Binghamton: Centenary, $15. Total, $15.
Immigrant Home, New York.—Binghamton: Tabernacle, $9; Scranton: Providence, $6; Susquehanna, $7; Tunkhannock, $3.54. Total, $25.54.
Jesse Lee Home.—Binghamton: Tabernacle, $5. Total, $5.
Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—Binghamton: Chenango Street, $5; District meeting, $13; Hawley, $8.56; Scranton: Simpson, $25; Tunkhannock, $7.53. Total, $59.09.
Navajoes.—Binghamton: Centenary, $15; Tabernacle, $9; Norwich, $1.78. Total, $25.78.
Rest Home, Ocean Grove.—Binghamton: Centenary, $6; Tabernacle, $3; District-meeting, $3.70. Total, $12.70.
Utah.—Binghamton: Tabernacle, $40.50; Tunkhannock, $10. Total, $50.50.
Watts de Peyster.—Scranton: Elm Park, $75. Total, $75.

Total Special Fund, ... $518.61.
Grand total, ... 1,906.71.
Local Work, ... 787.10.

Other Sources.

General Fund.—Alabama Conference, $6.50; Atlanta, $1; advertisements in Annual Report, $18; a Mothers' Jewel, 10 cents; annuity, a friend, $5; Austin, Texas, $1; Arapahoe, 10 cents; bequest of Maria P. Webster, Leominster, Mass., $500; Blue Ridge Conference, $14; Central Alabama, $1; Central Tennessee Conference, $2; Corinne, Utah, $2; Curts & Jennings, from Conferences, $16; East Tennessee Conference, $3; Eaton & Mains, from Conferences, $45.78; excess of salary of Miss Thornborough, $2.50; excess of travel of Miss Quale, $3.50; Haven Home, insurance, $323.81; Holston Conference, $5; insurance on Peck Home, $5.475; gifts, through Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk, $172.81; gift from a friend, $3; Lexington, $4; lunches at Board-meeting, $1.37; Mrs. Ampt, sale of mite-boxes, $33.89; Mississippi, $6; Mrs. J. S. Spencer, to make Helen M. Tipple a life-member, $20; North Indiana, $9; Pawhuska, rent and tuition, $76.10; Plainville camp-meeting, $6; St. Louis German Conference, $32; sale of Annual Reports, $20.46; St. Mary's, Ga., $1; Tennessee Conference, $3; through Frank H. Rogers, Lawrenceville, Ga., $2; Washington Conference, $32; Wellsboro, Pa., $13; White Hall, N. Y., 10 cents; Western Norwegian and Danish Conference, $5; without special credits, 70 cents; vouchers, $114.

Total General Fund, ... $7,475.72.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.*—Miss Minnie P. Browse, $5; Mrs. Sarah N. Eddy, $20; Misses C. M. Buckbee and Lizzie Welch, Ocala, Fla., $10; Miss Marguerite Tripp, Las Cruces, $5; Miss Ida Lewis, Kent Home, $5; Miss Florence Jackman, Bennett Home, $5; Mrs. S. M. Lewis, Haven Home, $5; Miss Viola Baldwin, $5; Agenora Fairfield, Methuen, Mass., $5; Mrs. Frances A. Barrie, Waterbury, Conn., $5; "His Servant Trusts," North Charleston, N. H., $5; Mrs. Miller, Ft. Simcoe, $10.

Total Special General Fund, ... $85.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Dulce.*—Oxford, O., $2. Total, $2.
E. L. Rust Home.—Income of Home, $40.75. Total, $40.75.
King Home.—Income of Home, $55.40. Total, $55.40.
Peck Home.—Income of Home, $8.35. Total, $8.35.
Stickney Home.—Thousand Island Park, $43. Total, $43.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $149.50.

Special Fund.—*Alaska.*—Through Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk, $100. Total, $100.
Asheville.—Mrs. Marriage Allen, London, England, $2,000. Total, $2,000.
Browning Home.—Income of Home, $645. Total, $645.
King Home.—Fairfield, Ia., $3.65; Weymouth Center, $5. Total, $8.65.
Peck Home.—Sale of remains of fire, $90. Total, $90.
Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—Sale of memoirs, $7. Total, $7.
Frontier Work.—Through Mrs. Fisk, $77.19. Total, $77.19.

Total Special Fund, ... $2,927.84.
Grand total, ... 10,638.06.

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS.

CONFERENCES.	GENERAL FUNDS.	SPECIAL GENERAL FUNDS.		BENEFICIARY.	SPECIAL FUND.	TOTALS.	LOCAL WORK.
		Salaries.	Emergency.				
Baltimore	$1,884 00	$426 77	$145 00	$592 35	$5,192 98	$8,241 10	$329 71
California	590 54	.....	92 50	.....	1,301 72	1,984 76	.....
Central Illinois	106 85	.....	50 00	45 00	.....	201 85	.....
Central Missouri	8 65	.....	5 00	.....	.....	13 65	.....
Central New York	1,656 82	117 87	432 57	153 81	318 65	2,679 72	89 58
Central Ohio	1,207 16	192 70	242 69	96 20	494 90	2,233 65	.....
Central Pennsylvania	862 19	161 60	250 00	311 25	141 16	1,726 20	565 40
Cincinnati	1,683 05	54 25	471 27	305 65	1.902 32	4,416 54	.....
Colorado	422 54	.....	72 50	78 65	244 44	818 13	.....
Columbia River	70 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	70 25	.....
Des Moines	185 51	.....	31 25	26 45	834 07	1,077 28	.....
Detroit	2,367 35	9 00	320 00	119 49	2,993 02	5,808 86	1,621 31
East Maine	33 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	33 50	.....
East Ohio	1,476 57	149 74	209 82	323 30	845 52	3,004 95	.....
East Tennessee	70 15	.....	.....	.....	.....	70 15	.....
Erie	1,081 34	73 04	265 15	245 66	366 29	2,031 48	192 44
Florida	79 69	.....	.....	.....	10 00	89 69	.....
Genesee	1,491 28	59 86	148 22	138 00	1,239 14	3,076 50	223 60
Holston	94 39	.....	45 00	.....	653 58	792 97	106 38
Idaho	8 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	8 00	.....
Illinois	632 15	35 27	147 32	.....	556 31	1,371 05	59 58
Indiana	653 03	.....	35 00	113 50	367 55	1,169 08	83 25
Iowa	452 55	21 92	25 00	292 08	49 50	841 05	.....
Kansas	238 80	2 44	55 97	103 50	134 79	535 50	46 80
Kentucky	77 93	.....	45 00	.....	.....	122 93	10 00
Little Rock	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....
Louisiana	47 02	.....	.....	.....	5 00	52 02	.....
Maine	1,048 44	28 18	20 50	54 25	24 71	1,176 08	.....
Michigan	1,658 53	311 90	179 25	200 80	338 37	2,688 85	.....
Minnesota and Minnesota Northern	211 50	17 57	109 70	477 72	5 00	821 49	.....
Missouri	101 37	1 41	5 00	15 00	.....	122 78	79 00
Nebraska	416 67	.....	20 00	50 00	242 07	728 74	141 20
Newark	1,455 74	97 70	236 65	532 56	412 28	2,734 93	766 20
New England	2,346 89	20 00	553 00	527 48	607 32	4,004 69	776 92
New England Southern	960 32	15 00	292 00	58 00	303 60	1,628 92	4 50

New Hampshire	473 54	.....	45 10	65 00	52 25	635 89	21 33
New Jersey	1,149 87	5 00	140 65	94 06	24 40	1,413 98	111 33
New Mexico Mission	.....	.....	45 00	.....	.....	45 00	.....
New York	1,272 00	100 00	200 00	60 00	240 00	1,872 06	.....
New York East	574 41	.....	131 00	83 77	3,461 85	4,251 03	.....
North Carolina	7 65	.....	.....	.....	20 00	27 65	.....
Northern New York	1,151 30	63 86	133 72	355 34	221 01	1,925 23	17 20
Northern Swedish Mission	40 70	.....	.....	.....	.....	40 70	.....
North Indiana	894 52	352 69	131 15	319 03	9 40	1,706 79	.....
North Nebraska	293 73	1 25	120 00	86 41	128 19	629 58	10 00
North Ohio	1,323 66	4 15	123 25	147 50	455 15	2,053 71	.....
Northwest Indiana	410 22	16 32	65 00	51 10	25 00	567 64	.....
Northwest Iowa	1,052 30	216 42	104 74	148 27	224 41	1,746 14	35 00
Northwest Kansas	28 50	.....	10 00	.....	.....	38 50	.....
Ohio	1,597 70	95 70	226 06	229 02	267 81	2,412 29	402 16
Oklahoma	159 95	.....	20 00	.....	.....	179 95	.....
Oregon	99 38	.....	17 00	73 24	.....	189 62	.....
Philadelphia	1,051 14	225 18	365 80	332 00	3,326 77	5,300 89	.....
Pittsburg	1,112 62	20 00	469 13	210 95	1,440 33	3,253 03	647 58
Puget Sound	166 42	.....	.....	49 96	.....	216 38	90 50
Rock River	1,172 86	58 40	278 30	75 00	1,490 03	3,074 59	.....
St. Louis	119 00	.....	.....	8 00	.....	127 00	40 00
South Carolina	34 75	.....	5 00	.....	.....	39 75	4 20
Southern California	877 48	.....	85 00	33 00	1,711 21	2,706 69	20 00
Southern Illinois	11 10	.....	.....	.....	.....	11 10	.....
South Kansas	75 53	94	22 75	.....	.....	99 22	19 27
Southwest Kansas	426 12	5 00	45 00	.....	35 00	511 12	54 35
Tennessee	6 00	.....	5 00	.....	.....	11 00	.....
Texas	12 00	.....	10 00	.....	.....	22 00	.....
Troy	1,378 25	271 14	378 39	519 29	213 50	2,760 57	1,054 11
Upper Iowa	1,331 26	374 33	125 31	492 90	89 83	2,413 63	.....
Utah Mission	30 95	.....	15 00	.....	.....	45 95	.....
Vermont	909 80	77 00	64 50	135 75	86 39	1,273 44	.....
West Nebraska	46 40	.....	.....	.....	32 77	79 17	.....
West Texas	47 35	.....	.....	.....	57 75	105 10	8 50
West Virginia	12 75	.....	5 00	2 00	.....	19 75	.....
West Wisconsin	219 19	13 05	59 01	40 00	41 00	372 25	7 22
Wilmington	706 95	.....	45 00	123 00	76 52	951 47	591 35
Wisconsin	203 45	12 73	15 00	17 00	.....	248 18	57 32
Wyoming	806 72	392 60	138 00	50 78	518 61	1,906 71	787 10
Other Sources	7,475 72	.....	85 00	149 50	2,927 84	10,638 06	.....
Total	$54,491 07	$4,101 98	$8,230 22	$8,812 57	$36,761 31	$112,397 15	$9,074 39
Loans						$20,500 00	

EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR.

Salaries, Current Expenses, Students' Aid, and Special Funds.

SOUTHERN WORK.

Allen Industrial Home and School, Asheville, N. C.:

Salaries,	$938 65	
Beneficiary Aid,	119 50	
Special Fund, Building and Furnishing (voucher, $147),	5,611 14	
		$6,669 29
Self-help, Board, Tuition, Rent, etc.,		$570 76

Bennett Home and School, Clarkson, Miss.:

Salaries,	$951 72	
Current Expenses (voucher),	50 00	
Beneficiary Aid (voucher, $33),	123 41	
Special Fund (voucher, $50),	55 00	
		$1,180 13
Self-help, Board, and Tuition—No Special Report.		

Boylan Home and School, Jacksonville, Fla.:

Salaries,	$1,612 56	
Current Expenses (voucher, $45.60),	962 31	
Beneficiary Aid, (voucher, $182.65),	375 30	
		$2,950 17
Self-help, Board, and Tuition, $1,516.35; Gifts, $97,		$1,613 35

Browning Home and School, Camden, S. C.:

Salaries,	$1,559 89	
Beneficiary (voucher, $12),	78 89	
Special Fund (voucher, $23.36),	1,012 96	
		$2,651 74
Self-help, Board, and Tuition,		$1,131 72

Emerson Home and School, Ocala, Fla.:

Salaries,	$793 18	
Current Expenses,	125 00	
Beneficiary,	15 25	
		$933 43
Self-help, Board, and Tuition, $496.94; Gifts, $11.70,		$508 64

Haven Home and School, Savannah, Ga.:

Salaries,	$1,647 66	
Current Expenses,	1,112 34	
Beneficiary (voucher, $19),	291 34	
Special Fund (voucher, $32.60),	403 85	
		$3,455 19
Self-help, Board, and Tuition,		$1,254 97

Italian Work, New Orleans, La.:		
Salary,	$362 35	
Current Expenses,	73 00	
		$435 35
Self-help, Tuition, and Gifts,		$45 30
Kent Home, Greensboro, N. C.:		
Salary,	$376 80	
Beneficiary Aid,	40 00	
		$416 80
Self-help, Board, $190; Gifts, $14.55,		$204 55
King Home, Marshall, Texas:		
Salaries,	$704 35	
Beneficiary Aid (voucher, $30),	185 00	
Special Fund (voucher),	8 65	
		$898 00
Self-help, Board and Tuition, $937.21; Sewing-room, $54.30,		$991 51
New Jersey Home, Morristown, Tenn.:		
Salaries,	$641 15	
Beneficiary (voucher, $82.50),	165 50	
		$806 65
Self-help, Board, $403.11; Gifts, $31.40,		$434 51
Peck Home, New Orleans, La.:		
Salaries,	$808 48	
Current Expenses,	72 45	
Beneficiary (voucher, $85),	158 40	
Special Fund,	1 74	
		$1,041 07
Self-help. No Special Report.		
Ritter Home, Athens, Tenn.:		
Salaries,	$595 08	
Beneficiary Aid (voucher, $138.37),	1,153 34	
Special Fund (voucher, $2),	9 00	
		$1,757 42
Self-help, Board,		$736 66
E. L. Rust Home, Holly Springs, Miss.:		
Salaries,	$860 10	
Current Expenses,	175 00	
Beneficiary Aid,	8 50	
Special Fund,	24 00	
		$1,067 60
Self-help, Board,		$839 00
Simpson Home, Orangeburg, S. C.:		
Salaries,	$692 35	
Current Expenses,	225 00	
Beneficiary,	215 00	
		$1,132 35
Self-help, Board of Pupils,		$6 18

A. M. Smith Home, Little Rock, Ark.:		
Salaries,	$588 23	
Current Expenses,	239 00	
Beneficiary (voucher),	60 00	
		$887 23
Self-help, Board,		$464 00
Mary Haven Home, Isle of Hope, Ga.:		
Salaries,	$330 00	
Current Expenses,	216 85	
Beneficiary Aid,	20 00	
Special Fund,	10 00	
		$576 85
Self-help. No Special Report.		
Thayer Home, South Atlanta, Ga.:		
Salaries,	$700 00	
Beneficiary Aid (voucher, $54),	342 52	
Special Fund,	25 00	
		$1,067 52
Self-help, Board and Tuition, $686; Sewing-room, $54.10,		$740 10
Utah:		
Salaries,	$2,504 31	
Beneficiary Aid,	85 80	
Special Fund,	52 50	
		$2,642 61
Spanish Work—New Mexico:		
Spanish Las Cruces—Salaries,	$620 00	
Current Expenses,	20 00	
		$640 00
Spanish Las Vegas—Salaries,	$540 00	
Current Expenses,	140 00	
		$680 00
Spanish Harwood Home, Albuquerque:		
Salaries,	$1,020 00	
Current Expenses,	120 00	
Beneficiary Aid (voucher, $70),	440 00	
Special Fund (voucher, $174.44),	486 73	
		$2,066 73
Self-help, Board, and Tuition, $280.26; Gifts, $42,		$322 26
Indian Work—Dulce, N. M.:		
Salaries,	$1,040 00	
Beneficiary Aid (voucher, $55),	227 00	
Special Fund (voucher, $30),	516 48	
		$1,783 48
Self-help. No Special Report.		
Indian Work—(Navajoes) Jewett, N. M.:		
Salaries,	$1,000 00	
Current Expenses,	60 00	
Special Fund,	76 16	
		$1,136 16

Indian Work, Frontier—Ponca, Okla.:		
Salary,	$499 00	
Current Expenses,	80 00	
		$579 00
Indian Work—Pawhuska, Okla.:		
Salaries,	$550 00	
Current Expenses,	103 09	
		$653 09
Self-help. No Special Report.		
Stickney Home, Lyndon, Wash.:		
Salaries,	$607 67	
Current Expenses,	149 07	
Beneficiary Aid (voucher, $2),	723 44	
		$1,480 18
Self-help. No Special Report.		
Fort Simcoe, Washington:		
Salary,	$358 00	
Current Expenses,	40 00	
		$398 00
Self-help. No Special Report.		
Jesse Lee Home, Unalaska, Alaska:		
Salaries,	$865 00	
Beneficiary Aid,	2,536 67	
Special Fund (Building),	4,103 91	
		$7,505 58
Self-help. No Special Report.		
Immigrant Home, New York:		
Salaries and Current Expenses (voucher, $7.57),	$1,022 57	
Special Fund (voucher, $30.50),	854 39	
		$1,876 96
Self-help, Board, and Lodging, $635.43; Gifts, $143,		$778 43
Immigrant Home, Philadelphia, Pa.:		
Salaries and Current Expenses,	$746 05	
Special Fund (voucher),	497 84	
		$1,243 89
Self-help. No Special Report.		
Immigrant Home, Boston, Mass.:		
Salaries and Current Expenses,	$1,296 00	
Special Fund (voucher),	192 46	
		$1,488 46
Self-help, Board, $206.67; Gifts, $6.30,		$212 97
Watts de Peyster Home, Tivoli, N. Y.:		
Salaries,	$1,664 00	
Current Expenses,	458 05	
Beneficiary Aid (voucher, $7.87),	555 67	
Special Fund (voucher),	889 75	
		$3,567 47
Self-help. Special Donations,		$739 56

Lucy Webb Hayes Home and Training-school, Washington, D. C.:		
Salaries,	$1,083 33	
Current Expenses,	1,780 22	
Beneficiary Aid (voucher, $102.20),	989 74	
Special Fund (voucher, $801.51),	1,893 61	
		$5,746 90
Self-help, Board of Students, $862.80; other sources, $1,416.38,		$2,279 18
Mothers' Jewels Home, York, Neb.:		
Salaries,	$1,200 80	
Current Expenses,	3,112 53	
Beneficiary Aid (voucher, $245.15),	656 10	
Special Fund,	4,671 17	
		$9,640 60
Self-help. Products of farm,		1,000 00
Glenn Home, Cincinnati, Ohio:		
Current Expenses,	$500 00	
Special Fund (voucher),	1,580 67	
		$2,080 67
E. E. Marcy Home, Chicago, Ill.:		
Current Expenses (voucher),	$1,016 17	
Special Fund (voucher),	1,432 98	
		$2,449 15
Oriental Work—San Francisco:		
Current Expenses (voucher, $450.79),	$511 64	
Beneficiary Aid,	375 85	
Special Fund (voucher, $422.62),	561 97	
		$1,449 46
Oriental Work—Southern California:		
Current Expenses,	$150 00	
Special Fund (voucher),	812 52	
		$962 52
Frontier Work:		
General,	3,259 01	
Ukiah Mission, California,	150 00	
		$3,409 01
Literature and Printing Accounts:		
Woman's Home Missions,	$152 00	
Children's Home Missions,	69 49	
Leaflet Fund,	352 48	
General Printing Account,	2,763 08	
		$3,337 05
Notes, Interest, Insurance, and Taxes:		
Notes,	$13,434 50	
Interest,	1,672 21	
Insurance,	907 39	
Taxes,	70 36	
		$16,084 46
Organizer's Account:		
General,	$377 28	
Conference,	1,131 21	
		$1,508 49

Offices Expenses:

Cincinnati, Ohio,	$1,360 47	
Delaware, Ohio,	994 80	
New York,	492 86	
		$2,848 13

Miscellaneous Account:

Attorney's Fees,	$565 70	
Bureau Secretaries' Expense,	267 16	
Miscellaneous, as shown by vouchers,	2,078 28	
		$2,911 14

Deaconess Work:

Baltimore, Half-dues (voucher),	$472 44
" Special Fund (voucher),	3,257 78
Brooklyn, Half-dues "	151 70
" Special Fund "	3,312 16
Buffalo, Half-dues "	197 53
" Special Fund "	1,013 91
Cleveland, Special Fund "	907 52
Detroit, " " "	1,664 24
Des Moines (including cash, $115.28),	350 92
Grand Rapids, Half-dues (voucher),	86 86
" " Special Fund (voucher),	307 37
Jackson, Mich., " " "	26 00
Knoxville, Tenn., " " "	653 58
Los Angeles, Cal., Half-dues "	177 92
" " " Special Fund "	392 05
Philadelphia, Pa., Half-dues "	426 05
" " Special Fund "	2,769 18
Pittsburg, Pa., Half-dues "	117 12
" " Special Fund "	1,242 41
San Francisco, Cal., Half-dues "	91 75
" " " Special Fund "	868 90
Salt Lake City, Half-dues "	16 35
Syracuse, N. Y., " "	163 57
" " Special Fund "	283 65
Urbana, Ill., " " (cash, $19.90),	261 86
Vermont, Deaconess Work, Special Fund (voucher),	86 39
Wilmington, Del., Special Fund (voucher),	37 02
Rest Home, Ocean Grove, N. J. (cash $20),	249 18
Work in Coke Regions (voucher),	128 09
Loan Library and Tillman Ave. Mission, Detroit (voucher),	114 92
Total Amount Expended,	$128,038 88
Balance, Treasury, July 31, 1897,	4,858 27
	$132,897 15

Received during the year:

General Fund,	$66,823 27
Loans,	20,500 00
Beneficiary Fund,	8,812 57
Special Fund,	36,761 31
	$132,897 15

Expended during the year:

Balance Overdrawn Last Year,	$114 48
General Fund,	70,926 80
Beneficiary Fund,	9,942 22
Special Fund,	47,055 38
Balance on hand, July 31,	4,858 27
	$132,897 15
Amount Expended in Local Work,	$9,074 39
Amount Board and Tuition Received and Expended in Homes,	35,495 00

Assets:

Estimated Value of Buildings and Grounds,	$136,100 00
Invested Endowment Funds,	4,700 00
Invested Annuity Funds,	425 00
Cash Balance,	4,858 27
Total,	$146,083 27

Liabilities:

Loans,	$29,053 32
Endowment Funds,	1,500 00
Annuity Funds,	1,000 00
Total,	$31,553 32

List of Bequests Received during the Year 1896 and 1897:

From the Estate of Martha Johnson, Bucyrus, O.,	$358 00
" " " " Maria P. Webster, Leominster, Mass.,	500 00
" " " " ——— ———, Brimfield, O.,	50 00
" " " " Susan J. Spencer, St. Johnsbury, Vt.,	50 00
" " " " Jane Cartlich, Somerset, O.,	485 00
" " " " Hannah Haven, Malden, Mass.,	463 50
" " " " Frederick A. Ely, W. Windsor, Vt.,	500 00
" " " " Mrs. —— Gallup, Coldwater, Mich.,	574 14
" " " " Mrs. Dr. Torsey, Kent's Hill, Maine,	100 00
" " " " Julia Devan, ——, Maine,	14 84
	$3,095 48

Annuity and Endowment Funds.

The Annuity Funds of the Woman's Home Missionary Society are donations from elderly people who stipulate that they shall receive, during their lifetime, an annual interest on the amount given. The funds so held by the Society are as follows:

From a friend,	$1,000 00
" Mrs. Thirsa Baker, Jamestown, O.,	425 00
Total,	$1,425 00

Endowment Funds are gifts to the Society upon which the Society agrees to pay in perpetuity an annual interest for the support of some object named by the donor. These funds are as follows:

To the Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school, . . .	$333 00
" Ritter Home—Scholarships, ...	1,700 00
" Thayer Home, ...	667 00
" Wilmington Conference, ...	500 00
" Baltimore Deaconess Home, ...	2,200 00
Total, ...	$5,400 00

REPORT OF THE AUDITING COMMITTEE.

To the President and Board of Managers:

Your Auditing Committee beg leave to report that we have made the usual examination of the books, accounts, and vouchers for the year ending July 31, 1897.

The cash receipts and payments are all accounted for by the Treasurer, the vouchers therefor shown to the Committee and found to be correct.

MRS. GEO. H. THOMPSON,
MRS. JAMES DALE,
RICHARD DYMOND,
} *Auditors.*

BUREAU OF SUPPLIES.

CONFERENCES.		CONFERENCES.	
Baltimore,	$2,987 01	New York East,	$1,808 42
Central Illinois,	86 00	North Indiana,	1,630 08
Central New York,	1,789 68	North Nebraska,	1,505 08
Central Ohio,	1,286 96	North Ohio,	1,778 45
Central Pennsylvania,	1,783 95	Northern New York,	2,393 44
Cincinnati,	2,385 97	Northwest Indiana,	251 74
Colorado,	1,959 37	Northwest Iowa,	575 96
Des Moines,	40 00	Ohio,	1,532 21
Detroit,	1,058 48	Oregon,	300 00
East Ohio,	3,363 67	Philadelphia,	2,352 04
Erie,	2,608 41	Pittsburg,	1,912 14
Genesee,	6,103 03	Puget Sound,	90 00
Illinois,	1,195 83	Rock River,	960 76
Indiana,	564 38	St. Louis,	14 25
Iowa,	198 37	South Kansas,	20 00
Kentucky,	77 40	Southwest Kansas,	1,808 42
Maine,	602 64	Troy,	3,765 75
Michigan,	1,080 20	Upper Iowa,	908 81
Minnesota,	864 46	Vermont,	1,016 73
Missouri,	547 18	West Wisconsin,	294 41
Newark,	3,164 78	Wilmington,	667 01
New England	2,940 32	Wisconsin,	75 45
New England Southern,	902 93	Wyoming,	1,349 41
New Hampshire,	1,021 58	Not classified,	137 88
New Jersey,	1,671 25		
New York,	4,086 75	Total,	$71,519 04

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CONSTITUTION

OF THE

Woman's Home Missionary Society

OF THE

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL CONFERENCE OF 1884.

ARTICLE I.—Name.

THIS organization shall be known as the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

ARTICLE II.—Objects.

The aim of this Society shall be to enlist and organize the efforts of Christian women in behalf of the needy and destitute women and children of all sections of our country, without distinction of race, and to co-operate with the other societies and agencies of the Church in educational and missionary work.

ARTICLE III.—Organization.

SECTION 1. The officers of the Society shall be a President, five Vice-Presidents, a Corresponding and a Recording Secretary, a Treasurer, and twelve Resident Managers, who, together, shall constitute the General Executive Board, and reside in, or not remote from, the city of Cincinnati.

SEC. 2. The annual meetings of the Board of Managers shall be held in the city of Cincinnati, unless otherwise provided, and shall consist of the General Executive Board, together with the Corresponding Secretary and one delegate from each Conference.

SEC. 3. The work of the annual session shall be:

(1.) To elect the General Executive Board for the ensuing year.

(2.) To take into consideration the demands of the entire work of the Society, designating fields of labor, examining the reports of missionaries already employed, and selecting beneficiaries; to estimate the needs of the mission-fields, determine the amounts to be raised, and to devise means for carrying forward the work of the Society; to appropriate its receipts in accordance with the purposes and methods herein indicated; to arrange with the several Conference Secretaries the work to be undertaken by each Conference, and, until such time as the Conference organizations are complete, to appoint a suitable person to fill the place of Corresponding Secretary of the Conference work in the several Conferences.

(3.) To transact any other business that the interests of the Society may demand; provided all its plans and directions shall be in harmony with this Constitution.

SEC. 4. In the event of a vacancy in the General Executive Board occurring *ad interim*, the place shall be filled by the Executive Board.

SEC. 5. The General Executive Board shall meet quarterly, or oftener, at the call of the President and Recording Secretary, and seven shall constitute a quorum to do business.

SEC. 6. The duties of the General Executive Board shall be:

(1.) To execute all orders of the Board of Managers.

(2.) To determine all matters referred to them by the Board.

(3.) To administer all the affairs of the Society between the annual sessions of the Board of Managers.

SEC. 7. The duties of the President, Vice-Presidents, and Recording Secretary shall be such as usually devolve upon such officers.

SEC. 8. The duty of the Corresponding Secretary shall be to make herself acquainted with the needs and opportunities of the mission-field, to correspond with missionaries and with the Conference Secretaries, and to furnish the Conference Boards with all needful information; also to secure from them the details of their work, which will be necessary to make quarterly reports to the Executive Board and annual reports to the Board of Managers concerning the condition and needs of the mission-field, and publish the same for the information of the membership.

SEC. 9. The Treasurer shall keep a regular account of the receipts and disbursements of the Society, report the state of the funds at the Annual Meeting and at each regular meeting of the Executive Board, pay only such bills as it shall direct, each order being signed by the President and Recording Secretary, and she shall make such disposition of the funds in her hands as the Executive Board may approve. At the close of the year the accounts shall be audited by a competent person selected for the purpose.

ARTICLE IV.—Conference Organization.

SECTION 1. A Conference Society shall consist of all the Auxiliary Societies in a given Conference, together with a Conference Executive Board. It shall take the name of the Conference in which it is located.

SEC. 2. The officers of the Conference Society shall be a President, one Vice-President, and one or more Managers from each presiding elder's district, a Corresponding and a Recording Secretary, and a Treasurer (the Corresponding Secretary may also be the Treasurer). These officers shall constitute the Executive Board of the Conference Society for the administration of the affairs of the Society, and five shall constitute a quorum. These officers shall be selected at the Annual Meeting, and hold office till others are chosen.

SEC. 3. The duties of the Executive Board shall be:

To co-operate in plans for the permanent establishment of the Society within the Conference bounds; to provide for an Annual Meeting and arrange anniversary exercises; and to transact any other business that the interests of the Society may demand, provided its action is in harmony with this Constitution.

SEC. 4. (1.) The duties of the President and Recording Secretary shall be such as usually appertain to their respective offices, and to co-operate with the Corresponding Secretary, Vice-Presidents, Managers, and Treasurer in organizing and conducting the work.

(2.) The duties of the Vice-Presidents and Managers shall be to organize Auxiliaries in their respective districts, and by all proper means to awaken missionary interest and zeal.

(3.) The duties of the Corresponding Secretary shall be to attend the session of the Annual Conference; to endeavor to interest ministers and ladies in the work of the Society; to organize Auxiliary Societies in the various charges in the Conference, and, as soon as practicable, to effect a Conference organization in harmony with the Constitution; to conduct the correspondence of the Society with the General Executive Board, with Auxiliary Societies within the Conference, with such missionaries in the field and beneficiaries in the schools as are supported by the Conference; to forward quarterly to the Corresponding Secretary of the General Exec-

utive Board a full statement of the work of the Conference Society, and to present an annual report to the Board of Managers at the Annual Meeting.

(4.) The duty of the Treasurer, who may also be Corresponding Secretary, shall be to receive and forward all funds of the Society monthly, keeping a book account, and to make a quarterly report of the same to the Treasurer of the General Executive Board.

SEC. 5.—**Special Work.**—Individuals, Auxiliaries, or Conference Societies may, subject to the approval of the Conference Board and of the General Executive Board, select special fields of labor, and provide for the support of missionaries therein employed, and they may also educate beneficiaries selected by themselves.

ARTICLE V.—Auxiliary Societies.

SECTION 1. Ten or more women who shall organize under the Constitution and By-laws for Auxiliaries, and pay their annual dues, thereby become a Society auxiliary to the Conference Society, and are entitled to one delegate to the Annual Meeting of the Conference Board. And the pastor shall report the collections of this Society at the Annual Conference.

SEC. 2. Auxiliary Societies, or local Committees, when there is no Conference Society yet established, shall report to the Conference Secretary appointed by the General Executive Board. When there is no Secretary in the Conference within the territorial bounds of which they are, they shall report to the Treasurer and Corresponding Secretary of the General Executive Board.

ARTICLE VI.—Membership.

The payment of one dollar annually shall constitute membership, and twenty dollars life membership. Any person paying one hundred dollars shall become an Honorary Manager for life, and the contribution of three hundred dollars shall constitute the donor an Honorary Patron for life.

ARTICLE VII.—Relations to Other Branches of Church Work.

SECTION 1. This Society will engage exclusively in missionary labor in our own land, and it will work in harmony with the connectional societies of the Church.

a. The appointment, employment, and remuneration of its missionaries shall be subject to the approval of the Board of Managers of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

b. The fields of labor and the general plans and designs of work of this Society shall be subject to the approval of the Board of Managers of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

c. All the missionaries supported by the Woman's Home Missionary Society shall labor under the direction of the authorities of the Missionary Society, and if in a mission, shall be subject to the same rules and regulations that govern the other missionaries in that particular mission.

SEC. 2. The funds of the Woman's Home Missionary Society shall not be raised by collections, nor by subscriptions taken during any regular Church service, nor in Sunday-schools, but shall be raised by securing members, life members, honorary members, managers, and patrons, by collections taken in audiences convened in the interests of the Society, and by other methods (such as fairs, festivals, lectures, etc.) which will not interfere with the collections and contributions for the treasury of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church; and the amounts so collected shall be reported to the Annual Conference through the preachers in charge, in order that they may be entered among the benevolent collections and published in the Annual and General Minutes.

SEC. 3. The Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church may act as the Trustee of the Woman's Home Missionary Society in all matters of legacies, and in holding for it real estate or other trusts, as the Woman's Home Missionary Society may desire.

SEC. 4. The Annual Meeting of the Board of Managers of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, which determines its work for the year, shall be so arranged that its plans may be submitted to the authorities of the Missionary Society for approval, at their Annual Meeting in November.

ARTICLE VIII.

This Constitution may be changed by the General Conference. Amendments to the Constitution may be proposed at any Annual Meeting of the Board of Managers by a two-thirds vote of the members present, a three-months' notice of the proposed change having been sent to each Conference organization, and published in the Church papers.

BY-LAWS OF THE WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

I

ANNUAL MEETING.

1. THE President and the Corresponding and Recording Secretaries of the Society shall fix the time and place of the Annual Meeting, unless this has been done at a previous Annual Meeting.

2. A committee of five, appointed by the Board of Trustees, shall prepare a program of exercises and an order of business for the Annual Meeting, and announce the time and place of the meeting in the Church papers.

3. All Officers of the Society shall be nominated by ballot, and elected by ballot, in open session.

4. The appropriations of the Society shall be made by the General Board of Managers, acting as a Committee of the Whole.

II.

BUREAUS.

1. The mission-fields and departments of work shall be placed in charge of Bureaus, each consisting of a Secretary and such Assistants as are nominated by the Secretary of the Bureau, and elected by the Board of Trustees.

2. Each Bureau shall have the responsibility, in its own field, of executing the plans and applying the funds as ordered by the General Board of Managers, and supervised by the Board of Trustees.

3. The duty of the Secretary of the Bureau shall be to supervise the work, secure conformity to the rules for mission work approved by the General Board of Managers, and report quarterly or oftener to the Board of Trustees.

4. The Bureaus shall be: (1) Georgia; (2) Florida; (3) East Central States; (4) West Central States; (5) Mississippi; (6) West Southern States; (7) Texas; (8) Utah; (9) New Mexico and Arizona (Spanish); (10) New Mexico and Arizona (Indian); (11) Indian and Frontier Work; (12) Alaska; (13) Immigrants; (14) Deaconess; (15) Orientals; (16) Mission Supplies; (17) Young People's Work; (18) Local Missionary Work; (19) Lectures and Home Missionary Reading Circle; (20) Systematic Beneficence.

5. The Bureau for Georgia shall supervise the work of the Society in the State of Georgia, and the Bureau for Florida in the State of Florida.

6. The Bureau for the East Central States shall supervise the work of the Society in West North Carolina and South Carolina.

7. The Bureau for the West Central States shall supervise the work of the Society in East North Carolina and Tennessee.

8. The Bureau for Mississippi shall supervise the work of the Society in that State.

9. The Bureau for the West Southern States shall supervise the work of the Society in Louisiana and Arkansas.

10. The Bureaus for Texas, Utah, New Mexico and Arizona (Spanish), New Mexico and Arizona (Indian), and Alaska shall supervise the work of the Society in these States and Territories respectively.

11. The Bureau for Indian and Frontier Work shall supervise the work of the Society in Frontier States and Territories not included in other Bureaus.

12. The Bureau for Immigrants shall supervise the establishment and care of Homes and Industrial Schools for Immigrant women and girls, in connection with the Atlantic ports of entry.

13. The duty of the Bureau for Deaconess Work shall be the organization and the supervision of such Training-schools and Deaconess Homes as are under the auspices of the Society, and the appointment of Deaconesses to fields of labor.

(1.) This Bureau consists of its Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, its Executive Committee, its Advisory Council, the General Superintendent of Deaconess Work, and two ladies from each locality where the Deaconess Home is established.

(2.) There shall be a General Superintendent of Deaconess Work, who may be the President of the National Training-school. The Superintendent shall be nominated by the Deaconess Bureau and elected by the General Board of Managers, and shall co-operate with the Secretary of the Bureau in the management of the work; shall receive quarterly the reports from the several Homes, keep on file a full statement of the condition and work of these Homes, and endeavor to establish helpful relations between the several Homes and between the Homes and the National Training-school.

(3.) No promise of life support shall be made to those who enter upon the work after the age of forty years, or to those who shall have given less than eight years of efficient, consecutive service as Deaconesses, under the auspices of the W. H. M. S., the eight years of service not to include the two years of training.

(4.) No promise of life support shall be made to those, who, at the close of their effective service, shall be unwilling to enter the Rest Home.

(5.) Any such Deaconess may be admitted to the Rest Home on the payment for her of $200 by the Home of which she has been a member, or by herself, or by her friends.

(6.) The Executive Committee of such Deaconess Home as receives support from the Woman's Home Missionary Society, on approval of the General Board of Managers, shall become a Standing Committee for its management, and shall report the work of the Home annually through its delegate.

(7.) The Board of Management of each Home associated with the Woman's Home Missionary Society shall secure that a report, as per blank furnished by the Deaconess Bureau, be sent quarterly on dates corresponding to the divisions of the fiscal year of the Society, to the Secretary of the Deaconess Bureau, to the General Superintendent of Deaconess Work, and to the General Corresponding Secretary.

(8.) We recommend that the rules of the several Homes, as to support of deaconesses, term of service, costume, age, or admission and support of disabled workers, shall be as nearly as possible uniform, and that the allowance for incidentals, for clothing, etc., for a licensed deaconess shall be eight dollars a month; all questions pertaining to the general interests of deaconess work being in each Conference finally placed, as by the Discipline, under the control of the Conference Board of Nine.

(9.) Cities and towns where such Deaconess Homes are located as are authorized to send a delegate to the General Board of Management shall have the right to retain half the membership dues of the Auxiliaries located therein, and the receipt of the Conference Treasurer will be received and credited by the General Treasurer for the same.

(10.) Any person receiving aid from the Woman's Home Missionary Society in securing training at the training-schools of the Society shall receive this money as a loan, which obligation shall be satisfied by a term of service in the Society of not less than two years' service for one year's training, nor less than four years' service for two years' training, or return the money to the Society as soon as practicable.

14. The Bureau for Orientals shall supervise the work of the Society among the Oriental peoples on the Pacific Coast.

15. The Bureau for Mission Supplies shall supervise the collection and distribution of clothing, literature, and such other supplies as may be helpful to ministers' families, Sunday-schools, and the Industrial Schools of the Society.

16. It shall be the duty of the Bureau for Young People's Work to awaken and sustain interest in Home Missions among young people; to organize Young Ladies and Juvenile Societies, and to secure the enlistment of Mothers' Jewels.

17. The Bureau for Local Missionary Work shall supervise the mission work in our large cities and towns, as begun or carried forward by our Auxiliaries in harmony with the local Church authorities, pastors, and Official Boards; the support of Industrial Schools, for instruction in religion, morals, temperance, and the elementary industries; and the employment of Bible-readers for general missionary work among the neglected women and children.

18. Local missionary work, for which credit for money expended is given, shall be entered upon only with the approval of the Board of Trustees through the Secretary of the Bureau for Local Missionary Work.

19. The funds used for the support of city mission work shall be raised for that special purpose, and by such methods as shall not diminish the amount that would otherwise be contributed to the general treasury.

20. Churches and individuals furnishing supplies to meet the needs of organized Local Missionary Work may be credited for the same through the authorized channels in the Bureau for Supplies.

21. The Bureau for Home Missionary Reading Circle, shall supervise the preparation of courses of missionary reading, and the organization of Reading Circles. Loan libraries may be provided for the use of ministers and students in frontier districts.

22. The duty of the Bureau for Systematic Beneficence shall be to promote systematic giving by the preparation and circulation of literature, and such other efforts as are adapted to secure this end.

III.

FINANCE.

1. The fiscal year of the Woman's Home Missionary Society shall end the 31st of July.

2. **Auxiliary Societies.**—The Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer

shall send their quarterly reports, as specified in By-laws for Auxiliaries, 4 and 5, September 15th, December 15th, March 15th, and June 15th.

3. **Conference Societies.**—The Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer shall send their quarterly reports as prescribed in the Constitution, Article IV, Sections 3 and 4, October 15th, January 15th, April 15th, and July 15th.

4. **General Executive Board.**—The Corresponding Secretary shall furnish the reports specified in the Constitution, Article III, Section 8, as soon as possible after the 15th of October, January, April, and July.

5. The funds of the Society, unless otherwise ordered, must be sent by the Auxiliaries to the Conference Treasurer, and thence forwarded to the General Treasurer, and whenever held by either of these officers, shall be deposited in a banking institution in the name of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. Money to be expended for missionary supplies for frontier or Southern work must in all cases be raised as a special fund for this work.

6. Moneys shall not be collected by the employees of the Society for any special purpose, unless such collection is authorized by the Board of Trustees, and the purpose approved; and moneys so collected shall be paid into the General Treasury, and be regularly appropriated therefrom.

7. All missionaries, superintendents of Industrial Schools, and teachers in the employ of the Society shall present to the Board of Trustees, through the Secretaries of their respective Bureaus (not later than September 10th of each year), carefully-prepared estimates for their work for the coming year.

8. Each Conference Corresponding Secretary is requested to come to the meeting of the General Board of Managers prepared to say what special work her Conference will support for the coming year.

9. No officer of the Society, no Auxiliary or Conference Society, shall contract for the purchase of property, or undertake any special work (other than local work within its own territory) without the approval of the Board of Trustees of this Society, expressed in writing and duly certified by the signatures of the Chairman and the Recording Secretary of said Board.

10. The erection of buildings shall not be begun nor contracted for until the money that will be required for the completion thereof shall have been paid into the general treasury of this Society, or fully provided for, nor until the erection of the said building or buildings, and all the plans and contracts relating to the same shall have been approved by the Board of Trustees of this Society in the manner specified in the foregoing paragraph.

IV.

BUILDINGS AND CARE OF HOMES AND SCHOOLS.

1. The erection of all buildings for Home and school work shall be under the care of the Bureau having charge of the work, which shall determine the site, select the plan, let the contract, supervise the erection, and accept the work, subject to the approval of the Board of Trustees.

2. The furnishing of Industrial Homes and schools shall be plain, simple, and economical, and as carefully adapted to circumstances as possible. The purchases shall be made under the direction of the Bureau in charge, and the property shall belong to the Society. At the end of each year an inventory of property, and a statement of its condition, shall be furnished to the Board by the Superintendent of the Home.

3. Each Industrial Home shall be under the care of a Superintendent, who, together with the teachers and assistants, shall be employed by the Board of Trustees and paid by order of the Society.

4. All the employees of the Board shall make, directly, or through their superintendents, as they shall be instructed, monthly reports of their work

as per blank provided, sending one copy to the General Corresponding Secretary and another to the Secretary of the Bureau in charge of the field.

5. Since the conversion and spiritual growth of those for whom we labor is the object of all effort, our instructors are required to work diligently and methodically to that end, through family worship, school instruction, personal appeal, and social means of grace, endeavoring at all times to develop sound and strong character.

6. It shall be the aim in our Industrial Schools to provide: (1.) Such social and moral training as shall tend to make good neighbors and good citizens; (2.) When necessary, the rudiments of education—reading, writing, and keeping simple accounts; (3.) Such domestic instruction as shall fit girls to care for a house, and prepare plain meals properly and economically; (4.) Instruction in dressmaking and cutting, making and mending the plain garments of ordinary wearing apparel; (5.) Tuition in nursing—the care of the sick; (6.) Kindergarten and kitchengarden training; (7.) Instruction in the cultivation of vegetables, fruits, and flowers.

7. It shall be our aim to provide a library for each Industrial Home and school, to which pupils may have daily access.

V.

MISSIONARY INTELLIGENCE.

1. There shall be a Committee on Leaflets, appointed by the Board of Trustees, to furnish information relating to the various Bureaus and mission fields, and literature in leaflet form, that will help Auxiliaries sustain their interest in our work, and upon application send such information out for use in Conference, District, and Auxiliary meetings, as will aid in the dissemination of Home Missionary intelligence.

2. The Recording Secretary shall give to the public, through the Church papers, a condensed report of such proceedings of each meeting of the Board of Trustees, as will be of interest to the society or to the general public.

VI.

MISSIONARY CANDIDATES.

I. Persons who offer themselves for employment by the Society must give satisfactory answers to the following questions:

(1.) Do you feel that you are moved by the love of souls and the providence of God to take upon you the work of a Home Missionary?

(2.) Have you an experimental knowledge of salvation through the atonement of Jesus Christ our Lord?

(3.) Do you believe in the doctrines of the Methodist Episcopal Church as set forth in Part I, Chapter I, of the Discipline?

(4.) When and where were you born?

(5.) What are your domestic relations and obligations?

(6.) Have you a thorough English education?

(7.) In what schools have you taught, and how long?

(8.) Have you knowledge of music, either vocal or instrumental?

(9.) Can you cut and fit dresses and teach sewing and millinery?

(10.) Are you able to give instruction in housekeeping, including cooking?

(11.) Have you had experience in the care of the sick?

II. The candidates must furnish satisfactory testimonials to the following facts: (1.) Membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church; (2.) Christian zeal for the salvation of souls; (3.) Good health; (4.) Educationafitness;

(5.) Ability to give instruction in the common domestic industries; (6.) Aptness to teach.

(2.) Each candidate is requested to write a letter giving a brief sketch of her life and her call to the work, which, with her photograph, is to be sent with her testimonials.

(3.) The testimonials of a missionary candidate shall be considered and passed by her Conference Board before they are brought to the Committee on Missionary Candidates.

(4.) When a candidate has been approved by the Board of Trustees, she may be appointed on nomination of a Bureau to a mission-field.

(5.) The Board of Trustees at its quarterly-meeting in May shall make a special examination of the work of the missionaries during the past year, and appoint them for the coming year.

(6.) A missionary shall receive her traveling expenses from her home to her field of labor; also her return expenses when she is recalled by the Board of Trustees, and her salary from the time of arrival in her field. This salary shall not exceed $40 per month.

VII.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK.

1. Young persons over sixteen years of age may be organized into Mission Circles under the general rules governing Ladies' Auxiliaries, with a membership fee of not less than fifty cents per annum. They may be under the direction of an older person, and they are recommended to choose a special name.

2. Young persons under sixteen may be organized into Juvenile Bands under the Constitution already provided.

3. Children under ten years of age may be enrolled as Mothers' Jewels on the payment of ten cents annually.

VIII.

AMENDMENTS.

These By-laws may be amended or suspended at any Annual Meeting of the General Board of Managers; due notice of changes having been given during the first three days of such meeting.

BY-LAWS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

[NOTE.—Under the laws of incorporation of the State of Ohio, a majority of the members of the body incorporated constitutes a quorum. Therefore eleven is the legal quorum of the Board of Trustees of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.]

1. The meetings of the Board of Trustees shall be held quarterly, or oftener, at the call of the President and Recording Secretary, due notice being given.

2. The Recording Secretary shall notify each member of the time and place of all meetings, regular and special.

3. The Board of Trustees shall organize by the election of a Chairman and the requisite Standing Committees at its first meeting next succeeding the Annual Meeting of the General Board of Managers.

4. At the quarterly-meetings written reports shall be presented by the Corresponding Secretary, the Treasurer, the Secretaries of the Bureaus, and the Chairmen of the Standing Committees.

5. The Board of Trustees shall appoint a Business Committee of seven, to consist of the President, Corresponding Secretary, Recording Secretary, Treasurer, and three other members of the Board, with power to transact business for the Board in the intervals of the meetings of the Board of Trustees. This committee shall report all its action at the regular meeting next succeeding such action.

6. Corresponding Secretaries of Conference Societies, in attendance upon any meeting of the Board of Trustees, shall be entitled to a seat and the privilege of discussion.

7. The Order of Business and Rules of Debate shall be as follows: (1.) Singing, reading of Scriptures, prayer; (2.) Reading of minutes of last meeting; (3.) Reports of the Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, Secretaries of the Bureaus, Standing Committees; (4.) Reports of Special Committees; (5.) Unfinished business; (6.) Resolutions for discussion shall be presented in writing; (7.) Ladies speaking shall rise and address the Chair.

8. There shall be the following Standing Committees: (1) Business; (2.) Scholarships; (3.) Missionary Candidates; (4.) Annual Meeting; (5.) Publication; (6.) Leaflets; (7.) "Woman's Home Missions;" (8.) Transportation; (9.) Mite-boxes; (10.) Bequest and Devise; (11.) Insurance; (12.) Thank-offering; (13.) Day of Humiliation and Prayer.

9. These By-laws may be amended by a majority vote at any regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, notice of the desired change having been given at the preceding meeting. They may be suspended at any regular meeting by a two-thirds vote of the members present.

BY-LAWS FOR CONFERENCE SOCIETIES.

1. THE President and Corresponding Secretary of the Conference Society shall call meetings of the Executive Board when the exigencies of the work demand it, and shall also determine the date and place of the Annual Meeting, and arrange for anniversary exercises, unless these items have been provided for by previous action at the Annual Meeting.

2. The program for the Annual Meeting of the Conference Society shall include reports from the Recording and the Corresponding Secretary, the Treasurer, and the District Secretaries; the election of officers, of Standing Committees, and of a delegate and alternate to the Annual Meeting of the Board of Managers.

3. Order of Business: (1.) Devotional exercises; (2.) Introduction of delegates; (3.) Appointment of committees; (4.) Reading of minutes of last meeting; (5.) Report of Treasurer; (6.) Report of Corresponding Secretary; (7.) Reports of District Officers; (8.) Reports of committees; (9.) Unfinished and miscellaneous business; (10.) Election of officers.

4. Each District Secretary shall present a list of the full names of her delegation to the Recording Secretary.

5. The Standing Committees shall be appointed as follows: (1.) Annual Meeting; (2.) By-laws; (3.) Woman's Home Missions.

6. The Committee on Anniversary shall consist of the President, the Corresponding Secretary, and the Secretary of the District in which the meeting is to be held.

7. The officers shall be nominated by informal ballot, and elected by ballot. Vacancies occurring in the Conference Board *ad interim* may be filled by the Executive Board of the Conference.

8. Every Auxiliary Society in the Conference shall be entitled to a delegate for each twenty members, provided that no Auxiliary shall be without a delegate; these delegates, with the Executive Board, shall constitute the Annual Meeting.

9. The duty of each District President shall be to have general supervision of the work in her District. She shall confer and co-operate with the Secretary in organizing and visiting the work; preside at the District meetings, and endeavor to secure the favor and aid of the presiding elder and pastors. She shall report her work to the Secretary of the District.

10. The duty of the District Secretary shall be to co-operate with the President in the organization of Auxiliaries; to correspond with and visit them, to arrange for public meetings, to send out blanks and receive reports, and to forward a report by the 1st of October, January, April, and July to the Corresponding Secretary of the Conference Society, and to secure a report from Auxiliary Corresponding Secretaries for Conference and District Annual Meetings. In the absence of a Conference Secretary of Young People's Work, she shall also secure reports from Circles and Bands.

11. There shall be a Supply Secretary, a Mite-box Secretary, a Secretary for Local Work, and a Secretary for Young People's Work, a Secretary for Home Missionary Reading Circle, and such other Secretaries as the exigencies of the work demand, each to report as directed by the Conference Executive Board. Each Conference Society shall also elect a Manager for the Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school at Washington, D. C.

12. The Executive Board shall meet in ———— on the —— of each month, if practicable.

13. No membership dues or moneys obtained for missionary purposes may be used for local needs.

14. Auxiliaries shall have credit in the General Reports only for moneys sent to the General Treasurer.

15. There shall be a contingent fund for local expenses, to which each Auxiliary shall contribute to the amount of at least ten cents a member for each year, one-half to be used in Conference expenses and the other half in those of the District and Auxiliary.

16. As soon as practicable, each District shall be organized into an Association under the Constitution adopted by the Board of Trustees.

17. The District Association or the President and Secretary of each District shall be a Committee to arrange for a presentation of our work at camp-meetings held on the District. In case of their failure to do so, that duty shall devolve upon the Conference Executive Board.

18. Any Conference that has held one or more Annual Meetings, and has its duly elected Conference and District officers, may determine its own methods of organizing Auxiliaries and the amount of remuneration of its organizers, provided that all its plans shall be in harmony with the Constitution.

19. The Conference Societies shall be held responsible for the direction and control of their respective organizers.

20. In all cases where Conference Organizers, whose appointment has been confirmed by the Board of Trustees, are employed, the expense, which consists of traveling expense and one dollar for each day of actual service, must be met by the Conference if possible. An itemized bill must be given to the Conference Treasurer, and when the Conference Contingent Fund is insufficient to pay the whole of this bill, the Conference Treasurer may forward the same, indicating the amount paid thereon, to the General Treasurer, who will pay the balance.

21. The accounts of such Organizers shall be audited each month by an Auditing Committee appointed by the Conference Board for this purpose before sending bills to the General Treasurer.

22. The Conference Treasurer shall close her account with the Auxiliaries the —— of ——, after which all the moneys received shall be placed in the next year's account.

23. These By-laws may be suspended by a majority vote of the Conference Executive Board at any regular meeting, and amended by a two-thirds vote of an Annual Meeting, the change being in harmony with the Constitution of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

CONSTITUTION FOR DISTRICT ASSOCIATIONS.

ARTICLE 1. This Association shall be known as the ——— District Association of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

ART. 2. It shall be the object of this Association to secure an Auxiliary in each charge on the District if possible, and to sustain interest in those already organized.

ART. 3. Every person who is a member of the Woman's Home Missionary Society on the ——— District shall be a member of the Association.

ART. 4. The officers of this Association shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Recording Secretary, a Corresponding Secretary, a Treasurer, and such Secretaries of departments as are necessary to the promotion of the work. These officers shall be nominated by informal ballot and elected by ballot.

ART. 5. The duties shall be such as usually devolve upon such officers, with the addition to those of the Corresponding Secretary, that she shall secure a report from each Auxiliary Corresponding Secretary on the 15th of September, of December, of March, and of June, and send a report to the Conference Corresponding Secretary by the 1st of October, January, April, and July. The Treasurer shall hold only the Contingent Fund of the District, which she shall disburse upon the order of the President and Corresponding Secretary.

ART. 6. There shall be an Annual Meeting for the election of officers and the transaction of such other business as may be of interest to the Association.

ART. 7. Amendments to this Constitution can be made under the provisions of No. 23, By-laws for Conference Societies.

CONSTITUTION FOR AUXILIARIES.

ARTICLE 1. This Association shall be called the Woman's Home Missionary Society of ———, Auxiliary to the ——— Conference Society of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

ART. 2. The object of this Society shall be to aid in interesting Christian women in the elevation and evangelization of needy and destitute women and children in our own land, and in raising funds for this work.

ART. 3. Any person paying a regular subscription of two cents per week, or one dollar per year, and 10 cents Contingent Fund, may become a member of this Society, and any person contributing five dollars per quarter for one year, or twenty dollars at one time, shall be constituted a life member.

ART. 4. The officers of this Society shall be a President, one or more Vice-Presidents, a Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, Librarian, and such other Department Secretaries as may be thought advisable, who together shall constitute an Executive Committee to administer the affairs of the Society.

ART. 5. Meetings of the Society for business and communication of intelligence shall be held ——— of each month. The Anniversary Meeting shall be on the ——— day of ———, when the Annual Reports of the Secretary and Treasurer shall be read, and the officers for the ensuing year elected.

ART. 6. This Constitution may be amended only by the Board of Trustees of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

BY-LAWS FOR AUXILIARIES.

1. IT shall be the duty of the President to preside at all meetings of the Society, and to supervise its general interests.

2. It shall be the duty of the Vice-President to perform the duty of the President in the absence of that officer, and to aid in devising means for the efficiency of the Society.

3. It shall be the duty of the Recording Secretary to keep a record of the proceedings of the Society, and provide the pastor with notices of meetings.

4. It shall be the duty of the Corresponding Secretary to conduct the correspondence of the Society, to send reports quarterly of the condition and work of the Auxiliary to the District Secretary when the District Association is organized; otherwise to the Conference Secretary, and in the absence of such an officer to the Corresponding Secretary of the General Society in Cincinnati. It shall also be the duty of the Corresponding Secretaries, when no other person is appointed, to faithfully solicit subscriptions to *Woman's* and *Children's Home Missions*.

5. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to collect the dues of members, hold in trust the funds of the Society, keeping a book account, and to send the same quarterly to the Conference Treasurer, and in the absence of such an officer, to the Treasurer of the General Society.

6. It shall be the duty of the Librarian to provide and care for one or more sets of books in the Home Missionary Reading Circle. Five cents shall be charged for the use of any book returned within a month, five cents a week for all time additional, and the full price shall be paid for all books out over three months. These rentals shall constitute a permanent library fund. The Librarian shall keep a file of Woman's Home Missions and Annual Reports for reference, take and forward orders for the same, drawing upon the library fund for necessary postage, and for the purchase of new books. She shall keep a careful record and report regularly to the Auxiliary.

7. ORDER OF EXERCISES FOR MONTHLY MEETING:

(1.) Devotional Exercises.
(2.) Reading and approval of Minutes
(3.) Reports from members of work done.
(4.) Report of Treasurer, in writing.
(5.) Report of Corresponding Secretary.
(6.) Unfinished business.
(7.) Miscellaneous business.
(8.) Adjournment.

8. Once each quarter, if practicable, a public meeting shall be held, in which reports shall be read, addresses given, and every effort made to increase the general missionary intelligence and zeal in the special work of this Society.

9. There shall be a Standing Committee of three to provide literary exercises of a missionary character for the monthly and quarterly meetings.

10. Each lady connected with this Society shall try to induce others to become members, and shall do what she can to add to the general interest, remembering in prayer each day the Society, its workers, schools, orphans, and missionaries.

11. These By-laws may be changed or amended at any regular meeting of the Society, by a two-thirds vote of the members present—notice of such intention having been given at a previous meeting.

CONSTITUTION FOR MISSION CIRCLES.

ARTICLE 1. This Society shall be called the Home Mission Circle of —— Methodist Episcopal Church.

ART. 2. The object of this Society shall be to interest the young people

of the Church in missionary work among the ignorant and degraded in our own country.

ART. 3. Any young person over sixteen years of age, paying one cent a week, or fifty cents a year, may become a member of this Circle, and any person paying two cents a week, or one dollar a year, may become an Honorary member of the Circle.

ART. 4. The officers of this Society shall be a President, three or more Vice-Presidents, a Recording Secretary, a Corresponding Secretary, and a Treasurer, who, together with a Lady Manager chosen by the Circle, shall constitute an Executive Committee to conduct the work of the Society.

ART. 5. Meetings of the Circle shall be held ——— of each month. The Annual Meeting shall be on ——— day of ———, when Annual reports shall be read and officers elected for the coming year.

ART. 6. This Constitution may be changed only by the Board of Trustees of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

BY-LAWS FOR CIRCLES.

1. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Circle, and in every way seek to promote its interests.

2. The Vice-President shall take the place of the President in her absence, and seek to assist her in every way.

3. The Recording Secretary shall keep a true record of the proceedings of the Circle, and provide the pastor with notices of meetings.

4. The Corresponding Secretary shall carry on the correspondence of the Circle, solicit subscriptions to our papers, and send reports once a quarter to the Conference Secretary of the work of the Circle.

5. The Treasurer shall collect membership dues, keep a book account, and send funds once a quarter to the Conference Treasurer.

6, The Circle may choose the work to which its special funds shall be applied, under the advice and direction of the Executive Board of the Conference Society.

7. There shall be two Standing Committees, Literary and Musical; one to furnish a Missionary Program, and the other to provide music for the meetings.

8. Mission Circles may give literary and musical entertainments in public, at which full reports of the work of the Circle may be made, that the sympathy and interest of the Church may be awakened and kept alive.

9. Each member of the Circle shall try to induce others to join, and shall do all in her power to make the meetings contribute to mental and spiritual growth.

10. Suggestive Order of Exercises for Monthly meeting: (1.) Devotional Exercises. (2.) Reading of Minutes. (3.) Report of Treasurer. (4.) Report of Corresponding Secretary. (5.) Discussion of plans of work. (6.) Program. (7.) Adjournment.

11. These By-laws can be changed or amended only at a regular meeting of the Society by a two-thirds vote of the members present, one month's notice of such intention having been given.

CONSTITUTION FOR JUVENILE SOCIETIES.

ARTICLE 1. This Society shall be called the ——— Mission Band of ——— Methodist Episcopal Church.

ART. 2. The object of this Society is to interest the children and youth

of the Church in missionary work in our own land, and to secure their help in carrying it forward.

ART. 3. This Society, by virtue of its voluntary obligations to render material help in various departments of the work, shall be recognized as a lawful adjunct to the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and shall make reports thereto.

ART. 4. The officers of this Society shall be a lady Director, whose duty shall be to take charge of and direct the Society; a President, four or more Vice-Presidents, a Recording and a Corresponding Secretary, and Treasurer, whose duties shall be those usual to such offices.

ART. 5.—SEC. 1. Any child or young person, with consent of parents or guardian, may become a member of this Society by paying yearly twenty-five cents as membership fee.

SEC. 2. This Society may hold entertainments or use any methods for securing funds that are in harmony with Christian usages and the rules of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

SEC. 3. This Society may support a beneficiary, furnish Sunday-school supplies, or assist in any department of missionary work it may desire, provided the work chosen be approved by the Executive Board of the Conference Society, or the Board of Trustees of the General Society.

SEC. 4. This Society may have affiliation with the Woman's Home Missionary Society only by contributing directly to its work in the mission fields, and can only have credit in the reports of the General Society for money paid into the General Treasury.

SEC. 5. The Annual Meeting of this Society for the election of officers shall be held on ———.

SEC. 6. This Constitution can be amended by the Board of Trustees of the General Society. Petitions for change may be made in writing, stating reasons for such request, and bearing the signature of all the officers of the Society.

BY-LAWS FOR JUVENILE SOCIETIES.

1. THE meetings of this Society shall be held on ——— of every ———.

2. A Committee on Music, consisting of three or five members (at least one adult), shall be appointed for one month or more, whose duty it shall be to provide suitable music for the meetings.

3. The Vice-Presidents shall each in turn be responsible for the entertainment of the meeting, by securing speeches, dialogues, quartets, etc., from their bands, and by obtaining the aid of adults as needed. And, together with the Director and the Committee on Music, they shall prepare a program before each meeting for the use of the President.

4. ORDER OF EXERCISE FOR REGULAR MEETING:

(1.) Devotional Exercises.
(2.) Reading and approval of Minutes.
(3.) Report of Treasurer.
(4.) Report of Corresponding Secretary.
(5.) Report of Bands.
(6.) Unfinished and miscellaneous business.
(7.) Program.
(8.) Adjournment.

5. These By-laws may be amended with the consent of the Auxiliary with which the Society is connected.

FORM OF BEQUEST AND DEVISE.

BEQUEST*—(Personal Estate)—*I give and bequeath to the* Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, *a corporation under the laws of the State of Ohio, the sum of*..... *and the receipt of the Treasurer shall be a sufficient discharge to my executors for the same.

DEVISE*—(Real Estate)—*I give and devise to the* Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, *a corporation under the laws of the State of Ohio, the following lands and premises, that is to say:*....., *to have and to hold or dispose of the same, with the appurtenances, to the said Society, its successors, and assigns forever.

NOTE.—Notice should be given promptly to the Corresponding Secretary of the Society of all Bequests and Devises.

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THE Seventeenth Annual Meeting of the Board of Managers of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church convened in Wesley Church, Minneapolis, Minnesota, Wednesday afternoon, October 19th, at two o'clock.

At each previous Annual Meeting our Society has been welcomed into churches whose choicest decoration was our national flag, in recognition of the fact that its field of operation is our own land; but never before did the sight of our country's emblem stir such emotions as at this time, when, at the end of a successful war—undertaken for God and humanity—we prepare to celebrate our "peace jubilee."

The President, Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk, presented Mrs. Bishop Joyce, whom she announced as in charge of the opening devotional exercises.

The hymn "America" was sung, and passages were read from the Book of Psalms and the Gospel According to St. Matthew. Two stanzas of "Jesus, Lover of my soul," were sung, after which Mrs. Louise Elstner Fisher, of Minneapolis, led in prayer, giving devout thanks for the open doors before the women of the Church, and asking most earnestly that they might have the enduement of power and the spirit of love and ministry manifested in the life of the Christ, the Incarnate Son of God.

Hymn 896 was sung, and at its conclusion Mrs. Fisk called to the platform all who were to take part in the exercises of the afternoon. Mrs. F. A. Aiken, the Recording Secretary, invited the Vice-Presidents, the Honorary Vice-Presidents, the Board of Trustees, and the Advisory Board to take their usual places, the roll of Conferences was called, and the delegations seated.

Mrs. Aiken nominated the following ladies as Assistant Secretaries:

Mrs. E. L. Albright, Lima, O.; Mrs. B. S. Potter, Bloomington, Ill.; Miss Martha Van Marter, East Orange, N. J.; and Mrs. E. B. Green, Rochester, N. Y. On motion, they were confirmed.

The Address of Welcome to the homes of Minneapolis was most delightfully given by Mrs. Matt. S. Hughes, who briefly reviewed the work of the Society, and gave a most generous welcome for our work's sake.

Rev. Jabez Brooks, in behalf of Wesley Church, assured the ladies that its welcome was neither denominational nor official, but that it was the habit of its official body to permit its use by every organization whose efforts were directed to human progress, civilization, or righteousness, and that he was glad to welcome this, one of the most successful organizations for Christian and philanthropic work.

In introducing the Rev. J. F. Chaffee, D. D., Mrs. Fisk referred to his long service in the chief council of the Church—the General Conference. Dr. Chaffee said since Adam so gallantly welcomed Eve, not knowing what she might prove to be, it had always been man's privilege to welcome woman, whether she came singly or by the hundred. He welcomed the representatives of the Society, not as women simply, but as Christian women, whose uplifting work began at the foundations. In looking over the program, he had rejoiced in our methods of reviewing the work, and regretted that the brethren had not yet caught the spirit of so complete a survey of their work, and recommended that if they desired to know anything, that they ask it in silence at home.

On behalf of Mayor Pratt, Mr. L. B. Love, Acting Mayor, extended the courtesies of the city, offering the use of carriages, and adding that anything that would make the stay of the ladies in the city more enjoyable would be theirs for the asking.

In response to these addresses of welcome, Mrs. T. J. Everett, of Massachusetts, said the delegates had left their States, and Churches, and homes, and after traversing many States, with dust upon their garments and in their throats, the word welcome had a special charm. Here they were invited to share all, and for their work's sake they felt free to accept all. She believed that, in the larger development of our work, which must follow the recent national enlargement, He who of old gave the pillar of cloud by day and fire by night to guide his people, would add wisdom to our counsels, courage and faith to our plans, and harmony to our discussions.

Miss M. Elizabeth Mellor, Government teacher at Unalaska, Alaska, but who has been intimately connected with the Jesse Lee Memorial Home, was introduced, and, after giving a brief outline of the work there, and its beneficent influence over delayed travelers at this entrance to the gold regions, as well as the people of that section of the country, she presented six Alaskan children, who had been educated in the Home, and who were now on their way to Carlisle, Pa., to enter the Government school for Indians.

The hymn, "What a Friend we have in Jesus," was very sweetly sung by the children.

The President, Mrs. Fisk, briefly addressed the Convention, congratulating the Society upon the success of the past year, and the fact that neither financial stress nor unsatisfactory results had ever obliged the Society to abandon a field it had entered. She expressed the opinion, and called upon Mrs. Joyce to verify it from her experience in the foreign mission work, that if so much had been accomplished in the work of these sister Societies by the small proportion of the women of the Church who were connected with them, that all things were possible with the help of every woman in the Church. She recalled the fact that one of her first official duties was in Wesley Church, at the meeting of the Board of Bishops, to ask the privilege of reopening the work in Unalaska, and desired, in this connection, to present Mrs. Anna F. Beiler, the Secretary of the Bureau for Alaska, who was most cordially greeted.

A vocal solo, "The Lord is my light and my salvation," was delightfully rendered by Miss Maud Lambert.

The Standing Committees were constituted, as follows:

Credentials.—Mrs. Delia Lathrop Williams, Mrs. E. B. Green, and Mrs. T. J. Everett.

Enrollment.—Mrs. D. A. Minard, Mrs. A. Bramley, and Miss Mary S. Pegram.

Courtesies.—Mrs. C. E. Thorpe, with power to add to the Committee.

Resolutions.—Miss Martha Van Marter, Mrs. E. J. L. Baker, Mrs. George H. Thompson, Mrs. I. L. Hunt, and Mrs. W. T. Brown.

Place of Meeting.—Mrs. J. E. Jacklin, Mrs. Charles Olney, Mrs. M. B. Gardner, Mrs. L. P. Williams, and Mrs. Helen Coffin Beedy.

By-laws.—Mrs. J. B. Robinson, Mrs. T. J. Everett, Mrs. H. H. Reed, Mrs. Clara L. Roach, and Mrs. Joel M. Leonard.

Church Press.—Miss Martha Van Marter.

Local Press.—Mrs. E. L. Albright.

Mrs. Aiken submitted the printed program and order of business for the Convention, which was approved.

On motion of Mrs. Robinson, the following ladies were appointed to receive subscriptions for *Woman's Home Missions* and *Children's Home Missions:* Mrs. F. A. Arter and Mrs. E. W. Simpson.

The reports of the Corresponding Secretary and the Treasurer were deferred, awaiting the arrival of Mrs. Rust and Mrs. Williams, and, by consent, the Auditor's report was also deferred.

On motion of Mrs. George H. Thompson, Mrs. D. L. Williams was made Chairman of the Committee on Appropriations.

Committees from Chicago, St. Paul, and Minneapolis Preachers' Associations presented a call for members of the Society to represent the work in the pulpits of these cities on next Sabbath and the Sabbath following adjournment.

pointed, consisting of Mrs. C. W. Gallagher, Mrs. J. B. Robinson, Mrs. D. L. Williams, Mrs. I. D. Jones, Mrs. J. W. Gosling, and Mrs. F. A. Arter.

The report of the Committee on *Woman's Home Missions*, Mrs. C. W. Gallagher, Chairman, was offered in her absence by Mrs. Robinson, who spoke forcibly to certain points. A discussion followed at length, in which many ladies took part.

A recommendation that subscriptions be carried over two months in case of non-renewal, was lost.

A second recommendation, that subscribers be notified by postal card upon failure to renew, was adopted, after which the report, as a whole, was adopted. (See Report.)

On motion of Mrs. Aiken, Mrs. Albright was asked to convey to Mrs. T. L. Tomkinson, author of Historical Sketches in *Woman's Home Missions*, who is detained from this meeting by illness, an expression of our sympathy and hearty appreciation of the excellent work she is doing for our Society.

On motion by Mrs. G. H. Thompson, the question of publishing the Treasurer's Report in detail in *Woman's Home Missions* was considered. After discussion, Mrs. Thompson moved the discontinuance of detailed report in the paper. It was so ordered.

It was moved by Mrs. Rust, that a quarterly summary be published by the Treasurer. This matter was referred to the Special Committee of six on *Woman's Home Missions*.

By request of Mrs. Fisk, Mrs. G. S. Couch led in singing two stanzas of "O, come and dwell in me, Spirit of Power Divine."

Mrs. W. M. Ampt, Chairman, presented the report of the Committee on Transportation, which, on motion, was adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. E. B. Green moved that each certificate-holder pay ten cents into the treasury, to defray expenses of the Railroad Agent, and the motion prevailed.

Mrs. Delia Lathrop Williams, the Treasurer, arrived at this point, and was presented to the Convention. and heartily greeted.

Mrs. Fisk read a request from the pastor of Lake Avenue Church, Minneapolis, for a lady to represent the cause of the Woman's Home Missionary Society at his prayer-meeting this evening.

On motion of Mrs. Aiken, Mrs. I. D. Jones was appointed.

The report of the Committee on Bequest and Devise, Mrs. Richard Dymond, Chairman, was read by Mrs. Aiken, and, on motion, adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Alspaugh read a letter, stating that $4,000 had been accepted by the Upper Iowa Conference in trust, the income of which may be used in training young women for deaconess service.

Mrs. Rust, referring to the matter, made a brief explanation concerning the Annuity plan in our Society.

Mrs. Crist gave an excellent report of the work of the Southern California Conference, which, on motion, was adopted. (See Report.)

At twelve o'clock M., Mrs. J. W. Campbell took charge of the devotional hour, which was a service of great sweetness and power. The thought pressed home was, "obeying the voice of the Spirit," and none could fail to feel that it was indeed "good to be there."

On motion, the Convention adjourned until two o'clock in the afternoon.

After the doxology was sung, the benediction was pronounced by the Rev. A. H. Ames, D. D., of Washington, D. C.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

THE Convention opened at two o'clock, with the President, Mrs. Fisk, in the chair.

The devotional exercises were in charge of Mrs. A. D. Knapp, who read a selection from the third chapter of Joshua; after which prayer was offered by Miss Van Marter, and two stanzas of "Take my life, and let it be consecrated, Lord, to Thee," were sung.

Mrs. C. E. Thorpe, Chairman of the Committee on Courtesies, presented the following ministers, who were introduced to the Convention by Mrs. Fisk: the Revs. Matt. S. Hughes, C. B. Mitchell, J. B. Hingeley, F. B. Cowgill, F. A. Riggan, and W. A. Shannon.

The Minutes of the previous session were read by Miss Van Marter, and adopted.

Mrs. Angie F. Newman said that Mrs. J. F. Creighton, National President of the White Cross Society of America, was in the house, and moved that this noble worker be allowed to speak for five minutes. The motion prevailed.

Mrs. Creighton spoke enthusiastically of the work done by the White Cross Society on the Pacific Coast, and stated that its object is to secure help for the wives of deceased soldiers, to arrange for the burial of soldiers at their homes, to provide nurses, hospital supplies, and go to the front as duty calls.

Mrs. Newman stated that Mrs. Creighton wished to secure the names of the General Officers of the Woman's Home Missionary Society as an indorsement of the White Cross movement. On motion of Mrs. D. L. Williams, this request was granted.

The following telegram was received from Mrs. C. W. Kinsey, President of the California Conference Society: "Greetings from California Conference. Read Hebrews x, 24, 25."

The passages were read by Mrs. Potter, and Mrs. Aiken was instructed to send reply.

Mrs. Rust stated that since the reading of the report of the Committee

on Bequest and Devise, a bequest had come to her from the estate of Mrs. Emily E. Averill, of Minnesota Conference.

The report of the Treasurer, Mrs. Delia Lathrop Williams, was submitted, and adopted by a rising vote and thanksgiving spirit. (See Report.)

Mrs. Jones offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Conference Treasurers in such Conferences as have Deaconess Homes be instructed to send the entire amount of membership dues to the General Treasurer, indicating the sum to be returned to the Deaconess Home as half dues.

Mrs. G. H. Thompson read the report of the Auditing Committee for the fiscal year, which was adopted. (See Report.)

Master Couch sang very beautifully a solo, entitled, "The Holy City."

Mrs. Aiken moved that the children who are here from the Jesse Lee Home in Alaska be invited to be present on Saturday morning, and sing for the pleasure of the children of this city who may be in attendance. Carried.

On motion, adjourned until 7.30 o'clock in the evening.

After singing the doxology, the benediction was pronounced by the Rev. Matt. S. Hughes, D. D.

THURSDAY EVENING.

PURSUANT to adjournment, the President, Mrs. Fisk, occupied the chair at 7.30 o'clock.

Mrs. J. A. Johnson, of Omaha, delegate from the North Nebraska Conference, read the Ninety-eighth Psalm. Two stanzas of "Come, thou Fount of every blessing," were sung, and prayer was offered by Mrs. Isabella Spurlock.

The choir of Wesley Church rendered a beautiful anthem.

Mrs. E. B. Green read the Minutes of the previous session, which were corrected and adopted.

The report of our honored Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. R. S. Rust, was read with God-given strength and enthusiasm for this inspiring occasion, and listened to with intense interest and a feeling of profound gratitude to God for sparing the life consecrated to advancing the general interests of our Society.

This report was a comprehensive *résumé* of the work accomplished during the year, and a forecast of the broadening fields of labor, with a retrospect of the trials and triumphs of our Society, so signally blessed of God.

The recommendations involving finance were, on motion, referred to the Committee of the Whole on Appropriations.

The recommendation with reference to Arbitration was referred to

a Special Committee, consisting of Mrs. Fisk, Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. Williams, Mrs. McCabe, and Mrs. Rust.

The report was then, on motion of Mrs. Potter, adopted unanimously by a rising vote. (See Report.)

The quartet choir rendered, with fine effect, "Nearer, my God to Thee."

A warm greeting was accorded the Secretary of the Bureau for Alaska, Mrs. Anna F. Beiler, whose late visit to this field of work invested the report presented with additional interest.

The appended list of pledges was made for the salary of missionaries in Jesse Lee Home by Conferences named: Central Pennsylvania, $50; Troy, $50; Baltimore, $100; and Illinois, $75.

Scholarships were pledged as follows, by Conferences: New Jersey, $20; New Hampshire, $50; Baltimore, $300; Newark, $50; Cincinnati, $50; East Ohio, $50; Central Ohio, $100; Wyoming, $50; Erie, $50; New England, $50; Iowa, $50; Northwest Iowa, $50; North Indiana, $50; New England Southern, $50; Wilmington, $50; Genesee, $100; Central Pennsylvania, $50; and Minnesota, $200.

Miss Mellor, Government teacher at Unalaska, Alaska, and missionary in spirit for our work, held the interest of the large audience by a vivid picture of this field of work, one of the Aleutian Islands, one thousand two hundred miles from Sitka. She spoke of the native Aleuts as akin to the Japanese and unlike the Indians. She described the appearance and characteristics of the natives, and said that in the past they had subsisted by hunting and fishing; but now they needed education to enable them to labor for the Americans, who have established commercial relations upon the islands, and employ the natives in lading and unlading.

In speaking of the gold-seekers, Miss Mellor said that last spring two hundred miners were obliged to remain on the island two months, waiting for the ice to break up, in order that they might reach St. Michaels. They were discouraged and deeply troubled, and the missionaries were able to do a great work for them, and the ministrations of Jesse Lee Home were eagerly sought. The men were so anxious for services that three extra ones were held, and Miss Mellor was obliged to fill the pulpit herself. She represented the special need of our mission as a Hospital, and in response to an earnest plea by Mrs. Beiler, the following conditional pledges were made by Conferences: Philadelphia, $300; Upper Iowa, $55; Northwest Indiana, $25; Central New York, $50; New England, $50; West Wisconsin, $25; New England Southern, $25; North Dakota, $50; New York East, $50; North Ohio, $25; Wisconsin, $5; Kansas, $5; Cincinnati, $5; East Ohio, $5; Central Ohio, $5; Northern New York, $5; Nebraska, $5; Iowa, $5; North Indiana, $5; St. Louis, $5; Missouri River, $5; South Carolina, $5; Maine, $5; Newark, $5; First Church, Orange, N. J., $5; Baltimore, $200; Fayette Street, Baltimore, $5; Minnesota, $60; Wesley Church Queen Esther Circle, $5; Epworth Junior League, $5; Chester Avenue, St. Paul, $5; Michigan,

$25; Auxiliary, Albion, $5; New York, $25; Park Avenue Circle, New York, $5; Troy, $55; Young Ladies, Cohoes, New York, $5; Genesee, $50; First Church, Rochester, Queen Esther Circle, $5; Frank Street, Rochester, Circle, $5; Wyoming, $50; First Church Circle, Wilkes Barre, $5; Detroit, $10; Cass Avenue Circle, Detroit, $5; Pittsburg, $30, including $25 for Young People; Northwest Iowa, $5; Northwest Iowa Circles, $5; First Church, Topeka, $10; Bancroft-Robinson Circle, $5; Nettie Gardner Circle, $5; Harriet McCabe Circle, $5; Kingsley Mission, $5. Personal pledges: Miss Iva May Durham, $10; Mrs. C. M. Van Anda, $10; Miss M. Elizabeth Mellor, $10; Mrs. G. F. Reynolds, $5; Mrs. Phebe Graham, $5; Mrs. E. L. Albright, $5; Mrs. Samuel Hazlett, $5; Mrs. J. B. Robinson, $5; Mrs. J. O. Peck, $5; Mrs. W. C. Herron, $5; Mrs. James Dale, $5; Miss Sarah Moore, $5; Mrs. J. A. Johnson, $5.

On motion, an expression of gratitude was extended Miss Mellor, and the report of the Bureau for Alaska was adopted. (See Report.)

Two stanzas of "How firm a foundation" were sung, and the meeting adjourned until nine o'clock Friday morning.

The Rev. Levi Hall, D. D., pronounced the benediction.

FRIDAY MORNING.

THE President, Mrs. Fisk, occupied the chair, and the session opened with the singing of the hymn, "In the Cross of Christ I glory." Mrs. Della C. Geggie, of Duluth, Minnesota, in charge of the devotional exercises, read for the Scripture lesson two verses of the first chapter of Genesis, and asked that the ladies repeat the First Psalm in unison, and then led in prayer. "More love, to thee, O Christ," was sung, after which prayer for Divine light and guidance was offered by a number of ladies.

On motion of Mrs. D. L. Williams, the Convention adjourned, to reassemble as the Committee of the Whole on Appropriations.

This Committee arose at 10.40 o'clock, and Mrs. Fisk resumed the chair.

The Minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Aiken, and adopted.

Mrs. George H. Thompson and Mrs. J. E. L. Baker requested permission to withdraw from the Committee on Resolutions. Granted.

Mrs. J. A. Lantry and Mrs. Angie F. Newman were, on motion, appointed in their place.

The report of the Bureau for West Southern States was presented by the Secretary, Mrs. F. A. Arter.

The following pledges were made for the salary of missionaries: East Ohio Conference, for Adeline Smith Home, $40; for Italian work, New Orleans, La., $40.

For scholarships for Adeline Smith Home: East Ohio Conference, $120; and Michigan, $80.

For scholarships for Italian work by Conferences: East Ohio, $40; Illinois, $25; Wyoming, $25; and Detroit, $30.

For furnishings, by Conferences: Illinois, $25; and Indiana, $5.

Personal pledges: Mrs. Fisk, $10; Mrs. Pearce, $10; Mrs. Arter, $7; Mrs. Williams, $7; smaller sums, amounting to $13.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

In submitting the report of the Bureau for Texas, the Secretary, Mrs. L. G. Murphy, said that she had been admonished, after personally visiting King Home, to preserve her enthusiasm for the Annual Meeting, but enthusiasm born of truth is not evanescent, and so much as might be compressed into a brief report remained with her.

The following pledges were made for scholarships at King Home: Iowa Conference, $120; and Northwest Iowa Conference, $40.

For furnishings: Upper Iowa Conference, $50; and Mrs. L. E. Haw, $50.

For purchase of land: New York East Conference, $50; Iowa, $50; Detroit, $20; Erie, $25; Wilmington, $25; New England Southern, $25; Minnesota and Northern Minnesota Conferences, $50; and Topeka, $25.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

The report of the Watts de Peyster Home, Tivoli, New York, was given by the Chairman, Mrs. F. C. Morgan. After the appended pledges were made, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

Scholarships by Conferences: New York, $750; Baltimore, $150; Newark, $50; Troy, $50; New England, $50; Northern New York, $30; Central Pennsylvania, $50; and New Hampshire, $10.

For heating: Newark Conference, $50; New England, $60; New Jersey, $20; Mrs. Arter, $25; and Mrs. Weed, $25.

After the presentation of the report of the Bureau for New Mexico and Arizona (Indian), by Mrs. E. W. Simpson Secretary, Miss Sarah Moore, our faithful missionary among the Apache Indians, spoke of the beginning of the work ten years ago in a log cabin among this people, with only one pupil. The work has grown, and a school has increased to the limits of its accommodations. She said that the schools are in the nature of training-schools, where girls are taught the domestic industries and the proper care of home, which fit them for lives of usefulness among their own people.

Following is the list of pledges for Indian work in New Mexico: Illinois Conference, $25; East Ohio, $40; New England, $10; Northern New York, $5; North Indiana, $10; Mrs. Baker, $5; and First Church, Topeka, $10.

Scholarship pledge: Troy Conference, $40.

For Navajoes: New York Conference, $25; and Detroit, $10.

Scholarship: Newark Conference, $40.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. H. J. Crist presented a letter of greeting from the Pacific Branch of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and, on motion, Mrs. Fisk and Mrs. Crist were appointed a Committee to make suitable reply.

An invitation was received, and accepted with thanks, to attend a reception Saturday evening at the home of Mrs. H. G. Harrison.

On motion of Mrs. Albright, Mrs. Aiken and Mrs. C. C. McCabe were appointed to send a letter of sympathy to Mrs. W. A. Goodman, Jr., who was detained at home by the illness of her husband.

Mrs. Woodcock, on motion, was appointed to send greeting to Mrs. E. S. Spriggs, Corresponding Secretary of the West Texas Conference, and Mrs. D. M. Walker, Corresponding Secretary of the Louisiana Conference, who were not permitted to be present.

Mrs. Rust requested that greetings be sent Mrs. H. M. Teller, who was unavoidably detained, and it was unanimously voted.

The time having arrived for the devotional hour, Mrs. W. B. Pope asked that the ladies unite in singing Hymn No. 896, after which she read a portion of the twelfth chapter of the Gospel of John. Prayer was offered by Mrs. Roach, followed by Mrs. Pope's reference to additional passages from St. John, covering the period from the raising of Lazarus to the coming of those "who would see Jesus." The exercises closed with the singing of a few stanzas of the hymns, "When all thy mercies, O my God, my rising soul surveys," and "My Jesus, as thou wilt."

The announcement of pulpit supplies for the Sabbath was made by Mrs. R. H. Young, and an invitation to visit the Florence Crittenton Home received, and accepted.

On motion, adjourned until two o'clock.

After the doxology was sung, the benediction was pronounced by the Rev. F. A. Riggin, Superintendent of the North Montana Mission.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

AT two o'clock the meeting was called to order by the President, Mrs. Fisk, and "Forever here my rest shall be" was sung. The devotional exercises were in charge of Mrs. Frances S. Bates, of Middletown, Ohio, delegate of Cincinnati Conference. After singing Hymn 786, and reading the Ninety-first Psalm, Mrs. Beedy, of Maine, led in prayer. One verse of the first hymn was sung.

Mrs. C. E. Thorpe, Chairman of the Committee on Courtesies, was invited to escort Bishop Joyce to the platform. The Bishop was introduced, and at the close of his all too few words, said that there never was a time when God needed consecrated workers more than now. God is solving his problems through the efforts of devoted men and women. He hoped that in the coming day multitudinous thousands would rise up and call this Society blessed.

Then followed the introduction of Mrs. Bishop Joyce and Mrs. Bishop McCabe by the President.

The Minutes of the morning session were read by Mrs. Albright, and adopted.

The report of the Bureau for Indian and Frontier Work was listened to with intense interest as it was given by the Secretary, Mrs. H. C. McCabe. The following pledges were made for Stickney Home, by Conferences: Illinois, $40; Iowa, $40; Northwest Iowa, $40; Upper Iowa, $25; New York, $20; Troy, $20; New England, $40; Genesee, $40; Erie, $40; New Castle District, $40; Michigan, $40; Central Ohio, $100; East Ohio, $40; and Cincinnati, $25.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Robinson moved that the Rev. F. A. Riggan, Superintendent of the North Montana Mission, be granted a few moments in which to speak of the needs of the work of our Society in his territory. Mr. Riggan was introduced, and spoke, earnestly urging that we open some line of work in Montana, saying that the friends there would do as much to support it as is done by any locality.

Mrs. Robinson offered the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee of the Whole on Appropriations.

Resolved, That our Woman's Home Missionary Society take up work in Montana, and that a Model Home be established at Helena, Montana, to be erected on the campus of the Montana Wesleyan University.

Resolved, Further: That we appropriate $500 for the support of one trained nurse deaconess and one visiting deaconess, to go as directed by the Conference and Mission Board of Control, and to assist in the inauguration of the work.

Mrs. P. L. Bennett pledged $50 for this work.

Mrs. D. L. Williams presented a letter from Mrs. Emily C. Miller, our missionary to the Yakima Indians at Fort Simcoe, Washington, saying that "the appeal in October number of *Woman's Home Missions* for a missionary to go to Hawaii touches my heart in a very special manner; and I send ten dollars toward tilling that field. I feel that I must use the Lord's tenth of my income, not for my own Church, nor even in my own mission field, but to extend his kingdom somewhere." Mrs. Robinson spoke for the Hawaiian work, saying that she had known that if we could get $350 we could send a Japanese worker to Hawaii; now we would need to secure only $340.

Pledges for opening work in Hawaii were made as follows, in addition to $10 by Mrs. Miller: Mrs. E. W. Simpson, $5; Miss L. M. Parrish, $5; Mrs. M. J. Schoyer, $5; Mrs. J. M. Leonard, $5; Mrs. Levi Master, $10; Queen Esther Circle, New York, $5; Wesley Church Auxiliary, Minneapolis, $5; Central New York Conference, $35; Des Moines, $10; Cincinnati, $5; New Hampshire, $20; Illinois, $10; New York, $10; New York East, $10; Wyoming, $25; New England Southern, $25; and Central Ohio, $15.

The report of the Bureau for Utah was forcibly given by Mrs. B. S. Potter, Secretary.

Mrs. Potter presented a cushion made by Mrs. Jennie Hansen, a missionary who had served the Society in this field for ten years. Mrs. Hansen wished the cushion sold for the benefit of the Emergency Fund. Mrs. Fisk immediately gave the first dollar, and expressed the wish that the cushion might be presented to Mrs. Bishop Joyce. Pledges were rapidly made, as follows: Mrs. Fisk, $1; Mrs. Robinson, $1; Mrs. Bishop McCabe, $1; Mrs. Dale, $1; Miss Mellor, $1; Mrs. Arter, $1; Mrs. Simpson, $1; Mrs. Weed, $1; Mrs. Green, $1; Mrs. Hamilton, $5; Mrs. Parrish, $1; Miss Miner, $1; Mrs. D. L. Williams, $1; Mrs. L. P. Williams, $1; Mrs. Smith, $1; Mrs. Adams, $1; Mrs. Addy, $1; Mrs. Murphy, $1; Mrs. Peck, $1; Mrs. Brush, $1; Mrs. Schoyer, $1; Mrs. Minard, $1; Mrs. Hill, $1; Mrs. Knapp, $1; Mrs. Johnson, $1; Mrs. Foster, $1; Mrs. Rust, $1; Mrs. Newman, $1; Mrs. Park, $1; Mrs. Morgan, $1; Mrs. Campbell, $1; Mr. Riggan, $1; Mrs. Gray, $1; Bishop Joyce, $5; Mrs. Lantry, $1; Mrs. Pearce, $1; Miss Evans, $1; Mrs. Moore, $1; Mrs. Hazlett, $1; Friends, $3.

Mrs. Fisk called Mrs. Rust to the chair for the purpose of formally making the motion that the cushion be presented to Mrs. Joyce. The motion was enthusiastically carried.

On motion of Mrs. Potter, the amount received for the cushion was credited to Wesley Church Auxiliary, Minneapolis.

Mrs. Angie F. Newman, of Nebraska, formerly Secretary of the Bureau for Utah, was invited to speak, and responded by saying: "As Superintendent of Jail and Prison Work in my own State, I receive tons of current literature to distribute in the prisons. This year I found carefully folded within the pages of the *Union Signal*, etc., the sermons of the leaders of the Mormon Church, breathing the old doctrines of the Church. There are many Mormon Churches in Nebraska. I studied Mohammedanism in Constantinople and Asia Minor and Egypt. I found the basis of the Mormon faith. It is Mohammedanism transferred to our Western Hemisphere, with Joseph Smith the prophet of their faith. The Oklahoma Legislature had to pass laws to imprison Mormon missionaries, to suppress their teaching of polygamy among the Indians.

Mrs. Robinson offered the following preamble and resolutions, which were adopted:

WHEREAS, Mr. William Curtis, in one of his published letters, printed during the month of September in the Chicago *Record*, states that there is a Mormon chaplain in a United States regiment; therefore,

Resolved, That Mrs. Angie F. Newman be a Special Committee to investigate this statement, and, if found to be true, that she convey the protest of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church to President McKinley.

Resolved, Further, That this protest be published in our Church papers.

The following pledges were made by Conferences for the work in Utah: Iowa, $25; Illinois, $100; Cincinnati, $25; Ohio, $25; and Central Ohio, $50.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. W. S. Thompson, of Minneapolis, sang the beautiful solo, "The Star of Eternity," to the delight of all.

The Secretary, Mrs. Aiken, read the report of the Bureau for Florida, in the absence of Mrs. J. L. Whetstone, Secretary. Mrs. Aiken said that, although Mrs. Whetstone, from the condition of her health, was denied the privilege of attending these meetings, yet she was instant in season and out of season in work for the Bureau, and it gave her pleasure to present Mrs. Whetstone's greetings to the Convention.

The report was, on motion, adopted, and Mrs. Aiken was requested to convey to Mrs. Whetstone the regards of the Society, and regrets at her absence.

The report of the Bureau for New Mexico and Arizona (Spanish) was read by Mrs. E. A. S. Barkelew, alternate for Mrs. Anna Kent, the Secretary, who was unable to be present.

Pledges for scholarships at Harwood Home were made as follows: New York Conference, $50; New England, $10; Baltimore, $50; Newark, $80; and Genesee, $50.

Mrs. Roach moved that Mrs. Robinson convey to Mrs. Kent the remembrance of the Society of her valuable services at former Conventions, and expressions of regret that she is not present with us upon this occasion.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

The report of the Committee on Enrollment was given by the Chairman, Mrs. D. A. Minard, and, on motion, adopted. This report exhibits the fact that the representation includes four General Officers, three Vice-Presidents, two Honorary Vice-Presidents, six Managers, two Members of the Advisory Board, fifteen Bureau Secretaries, one General Organizer, twenty-seven Conference Corresponding Secretaries, thirty-four delegates, forty-four missionaries, deaconesses, and visitors outside of the city of Minneapolis.

ENROLLMENT.

General Officers.—President, Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. R. S. Rust; Recording Secretary, Mrs. F. A. Aiken; Treasurer, Mrs. Delia Lathrop Williams.

Vice-Presidents.—Mrs. Jane Bancroft Robinson, Mrs. H. C. McCabe, Mrs. W. C. Herron.

Honorary Vice-Presidents.—Mrs. C. C. McCabe, Mrs. Angie F. Newman.

Managers.—Mrs. W. M. Ampt, Mrs. G. H. Thompson, Mrs. E. L. Albright, Mrs. J. W. Gosling, Mrs. I. D. Jones, Mrs. James Dale.

Advisory Board.—Mrs. Samuel Hamilton, Mrs. J. P. Negus.

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Editor Woman's Home Missions.—Mrs. H. C. McCabe.

Editor Children's Home Missions.—Miss Martha Van Marter.

Publisher.—Miss Mary Belle Evans.

Treasurer's Secretary.—Mrs. P. R. Graham.

Secretary to Mrs. Rust.—Miss Elizabeth Wommer.

The names of Corresponding Secretaries of Conferences are noted by an asterisk, and the names of Delegates by a dagger.

CONFERENCES.

Baltimore.—Mrs. Clara L. Roach;* Rev. A. H. Ames, D. D., President Lucy Webb Hayes National Training-school; Miss Ida E. Miner, deaconess.

California.—Mrs. L. P. Williams.†

Central New York.—Mrs. I. N. Clements.† Visitor: Mrs. T. W. Thayer.

Central Ohio.—Mrs. M. H. Davis,* Mrs. T. L. Wiltsee.†

Cincinnati.—Mrs. Frances S. Bates.† Trustees: Mrs. R. S. Rust, Mrs. F. A. Aiken, Mrs. W. C. Herron, Mrs. W. M. Ampt, Mrs. George H. Thompson, Mrs. J. W. Gosling, Mrs. I. D. Jones, Mrs. James Dale.

Detroit.—Mrs. W. B. Pope,* Mrs. J. E. Jacklin.† Visitors: Mrs. May Comiskey Bliss, Mrs. Franc Armstrong, Mr. George O. Robinson.

Des Moines.—Mrs. Theo. F. Gatchel.†

East Ohio.—Mrs. F. A. Arter,* Mrs. G. H. Foster.† Visitors: Mrs. C. H. Weed, Mrs. Louis Albert Banks.

Erie.—Miss Annie M. Cummings,* Mrs. E. J. L. Baker.†

Genesee.—Mrs. E. B. Green,* Mrs. Daniel Smith.† Mrs. D. A. Minard, Miss Iva May Durham, deaconess. Visitor: Miss Livinia M. Parish.

Illinois.—Miss Mary S. Pegram.†

Indiana.—Mrs. A. V. P. Adams,* Mrs. W. T. Brown.†

Iowa.—Mrs. L. G. Murphy.* Visitors: Mrs. N. S. Brush, Mrs. C. E. Haw.

Kansas.—Mrs. Elizabeth Parker.†

Maine.—Mrs. Helen Coffin Beedy.†

Michigan.—Mrs. Levi Master.*

Minnesota.—Mrs. John Taylor,* Miss Helen M. Evans.† Visitors: Mrs. R. H. Young, Mrs. D. W. Longfellow, Mrs. H. Stong, Mrs. Matt. S. Hughes, Bishop and Mrs. I. W. Joyce, Mr. J. M. Martin, Mrs. A. L. Duga, Mrs. Frank Joyce, Mrs. W. J. Dean, Mrs. Jabez Brooks, Mrs.

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C. B. Mitchell, Mrs. C. E. Thorpe, Mrs. T. B. Walker, Miss Florence M. Ricker, Miss Mary R. Swisher, Mrs. F. F. Safford, Mr. John Taylor.

Montana.—Visitor: Rev. F. A. Riggin.

Nebraska.—Mrs. Annie Hobbs Woodcock,* Mrs. F. M. Esterbrook.† Honorary Vice-President: Mrs. Angie F. Newman. Visitor: Mrs. L. H. Evans.

Newark.—Mrs. Charles E. Hill,* Mrs. E. A. S. Barkelew.† Visitor: Mrs. Wilbur F. Day.

New England.—Mrs. Joel M. Leonard.† Visitor: Mrs. F. W. Ainsworth.

New England Southern.—Mrs. J. A. Southard,* Mrs. T. J. Everett.†

New Mexico Spanish Mission.—Miss Sarah Moore, missionary.

New York.—Mrs. J. W. Campbell,* Mrs. Charles Olney,† Mrs. F. C. Morgan, Chairman of Committee on Watts de Peyster Home.

New York East.—Mrs. J. O. Peck,† Mrs. J. A. Lantry.

Northern Minnesota.—Visitors: Mrs. Della C. Geggie, Mrs. J. W. Bull.

North Indiana.—Mrs. L. H. Bunyan,* Mrs. Minnie Irvine.† Visitor: Mrs. John Stanley.

North Nebraska.—Mrs. J. J. Lanktree,* Mrs. J. A. Johnson.†

North Ohio.—Mrs. A. D. Knapp.*

Northern New York.—Mrs. I. L. Hunt,* Mrs. Alexander Bramley.†

Northwest Indiana.—Miss Ida M. Gibson,* Mrs. D. M. Wood.†

Northwest Iowa.—Mrs. J. P. Negus,* Mrs. J. B. Shesler.† Visitors: Mrs. Mary C. Hickman, Miss Charlotte Hickman, Mr. J. P. Negus.

Northwest Nebraska.—Mrs. Isabella Spurlock.†

Ohio.—Mrs. E. W. Seeds.†

Philadelphia.—Visitors: Mrs. Thomas Holt, Mrs. E. L. Flanagan.

Pittsburg.—Mrs. M. J. Schoyer,* Miss Margaret Hoyer.† Secretaries of Bureaus: Mrs. Samuel Hazlett, Mrs. Samuel Hamilton. Visitor: Mr. Samuel Hamilton.

Puget Sound.—Visitors: Miss M. Elizabeth Mellor, Vasha Nakoolkin, Marie McCloud, Catharine Dyaknoff, Helen Fraties, Irene Suvorokoff, John Benson.

Rock River.—Mrs. E. E. Marcy,* Mrs. L. C. Latimer.†

St. Louis.—Mrs. J. W. Bush.* Visitors: Mrs. J. A. Brubaker, Mrs. Arthur W. Burke.

Southern California.—Mrs. H. J. Crist.†

Texas.—Honorary Vice-President: Mrs. C. C. McCabe.

Troy.—Mrs. E. W. Simpson,* Mrs. H. H. Reed.† Visitor: Mr. E. W. Simpson.

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Upper Iowa.—Mrs. Margaret Alspaugh,* Mrs. Phrone C. Yoran.† Visitors: Mrs. Chloe Collins, Mrs. M. A. Goodall, Mrs. Ritta E. Voorhies.

West Wisconsin.—Mrs. M. Benson,* Mrs. I. D. Wiltrout.†

Wisconsin.—Mrs. R. W. Bates,* Mrs. G. F. Reynolds.†

Wyoming.—Visitor: Mrs. W. H. Pearce.

The report of the Committee on Credentials was presented by Mrs. D. L. Williams, and, on motion of Mrs. E. B. Green, adopted. She stated that a large number of the delegates were without credentials, because they were not informed that they would be required.

On motion of Mrs. Williams, a blank for credentials was ordered printed, to be sent out previous to the next Annual Meeting.

By request of the New England Conference, Mrs. F. W. Ainsworth was authorized to act as delegate for that Conference.

All requests for representation for Conferences not represented were referred to the Committee on Credentials.

Mrs. N. S. Brush, State President of the Federation of Woman's Home Missionary Societies of Iowa, made up of the four Conferences in the State, was introduced to the Convention.

Mrs. Fisk presented a letter of greeting from Mrs. F. S. Hoyt, one of the founders of the Society. On motion, Mrs. Negus was invited to respond to the letter with the kindliest thought of all present.

Mrs. Rust said that about eighteen years ago, at Corry, in the Erie Conference, she represented the interest of the work, but did not anticipate immediate results. The first Conference Society, however, was organized, and Mrs. E. J. L. Baker, who is present at this Convention, was chosen President, and still occupies that office. Mrs. C. V. Culver was chosen Corresponding Secretary, and, although Mrs. Culver is laid aside by affliction, she still maintains her interest in our work. Mrs. Rust desired that a letter be sent to Mrs. Culver, expressive of the love and remembrance of this Society. It was so ordered, and Mrs. Rust was instructed to write the letter.

The meeting adjourned until 7.30. After singing the doxology, the benediction was pronounced by Rev. A. H. Ames, D. D.

FRIDAY EVENING.

THE session, devoted to the Deaconess Anniversary, was called to order at 7.30 o'clock. Bishop Joyce presiding.

Miss Ida Miner, a deaconess from the Lucy Webb Hayes National Training-school and Deaconess Home, at Washington, D. C., conducted the devotional services, reading a part of the fifty-eighth

chapter of Isaiah, and then offered a fervent prayer, after which "More love, O Christ, to Thee," was sung.

The Minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Potter, and, on motion, adopted.

Bishop Joyce introduced the program with a few words of interest and appreciation, after which he presented Mrs. Jane Bancroft Robinson, Secretary of the Bureau for Deaconess Work, who submitted a comprehensive report.

On motion of Mrs. Rust, the report was accepted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Fisk, at Mrs. Robinson's request, announced a recent offer of two acres of valuable ground in an Eastern city, on condition that a Deaconess Home be erected thereon.

Mrs. H. C. McCabe offered the following, which was adopted:

Resolved, That we gratefully accept this noble donation, and will build as soon as our previous obligations are discharged.

A vocal solo, by Mr. C. E. Fisher, was rendered, and much appreciated by the large audience.

Dr. A. H. Ames, President of the National Training-school, Washington, D. C., read a forcible paper.

Pledges were made as follows: For scholarships—Northwest Iowa Conference, $200; Baltimore, $100; Troy, $100; Upper Iowa, $100; Northern New York, $100; Cincinnati, $50; North Ohio, $25; East Ohio Conference Circles, $100; Mrs. D. M. Walker, $10.

On motion of Mrs. Aiken, the report was accepted, and the part relating to appropriation for Hospital referred to the Committee of the Whole on Appropriations. (See Report.)

Miss Iva May Durham, Deaconess at Large, was then introduced, and spoke on the practical nature of the work done by the deaconess, showing with point and power that the bridging of the chasm between the Church and the unchurched must largely be done by the deaconess, and since it is the mission of Methodism to carry the gospel to the poor, the Church needs and must have the trained deaconess to aid in this Christlike work.

Mrs. Robinson spoke upon the immediate need of the erection of Rust Hall, determined upon one year ago, but not yet begun, and called upon Mrs. Angie F. Newman to come to the front, and appeal for funds in this behalf.

Mrs. Newman closed her eloquent appeal with a pledge, which was quickly followed by others, as given below:

Mrs. Newman, for Nebraska Conference, $100; Mrs. Robinson, $100; Mrs. Hamilton, $100; Baltimore Conference, $200; Upper Iowa, $100; Genesee, $100; Newark, $100; Northern New York, $100; Iowa, $100; Mrs. Chloe Collin, Cornell College, $100; Mrs. C. C. McCabe, $50; Edwin Ray Auxiliary, Indianapolis, $100; Indiana, $40; Pittsburg, $25; Central New York, $100; Maine, $100; Wyoming, $100; Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Negus,

$100; Troy, $100; Illinois, $25; North Indiana, $50; Wilmington, $50; Mrs. Nelson, North Minnesota, $5; Detroit, $50; Michigan, $50; Central Ohio, $100; Cincinnati, per Mrs. Dale, $25; Des Moines, $40; through New York Conference, secured by Mrs. Fisk, $1,650; First Church, Topeka, $50; collected by Miss Durham, $22.25; Mrs. Murphy, $5; Mrs. Shesler, $5; Mrs. Alspaugh, $5; Mrs. N. S. Brush, $5; Mrs. McClenry, $5; Mrs. Pope, for her husband, $5; Mrs. W. J. Dean, $25; Mrs. W. C. Herron, $25; Miss Martha Van Marter, $25; and Mrs. Bliss, $50.

Mrs. Rust was deeply affected by these generous subscriptions, and in a few eafnest words expressed her gratitude.

On motion, the meeting adjourned until nine o'clock Saturday morning.

After singing the Doxology, the benediction was pronounced by Bishop Joyce.

SATURDAY MORNING.

AT nine o'clock the Convention was called to order by the President, Mrs. Fisk.

Mrs. T. J. Everett read a selection from the tenth chapter of the Gospel of Matthew. Prayer was offered by Mrs. H. C. McCabe, and the hymn, "One more day's work for Jesus," was sung.

The Minutes of the previous session were read by Miss Van Marter, corrected, and adopted.

Miss Van Marter asked to be excused from the chairmanship of the Committee on Resolutions. and requested that Mrs. H. H. Reed, of Troy Conference, be made her successor. On motion, these requests were granted.

Reports of the following Conferences were read by the respective Secretaries: Illinois, by Miss Mary Pegram; New England, in the absence of Mrs. Floyd, by Mrs. J. M. Leonard; New England Southern, by Mrs. J. A. Southard; Erie, by Miss Annie Cummings; and East Ohio, by Mrs. F. A. Arter.

On motion, these reports were adopted. (See Reports.)

At 9.45 the session adjourned, in favor of a meeting of the Committee of the Whole on Appropriations.

At the expiration of an hour this Committee arose, and the President, Mrs. Fisk, resumed the chair.

Many young people of Minneapolis had waited patiently to hear the Alaskan children sing. They were conducted to the platform by their teacher, Miss Mellor, and delighted the audience with the singing of "When I read that sweet story of old." This was followed by one of the Alaskan girls reciting "The Character of Washington," in a manner that would do credit to any pupil in our public schools.

Miss Mellor, in a few earnest words, thanked the Convention for the kind and cordial reception which had been accorded her and the children.

Mrs. Fisk announced the 566th Hymn, and asked that two stanzas be sung.

The report of the Committee on Mothers' Jewels Home, York, Nebraska, was read by Mrs. J. P. Negus, Chairman.

Mrs. Isabella Spurlock, Superintendent of the Home, gave some interesting incidents concerning the children, and their great love for the Home and for one another. She stated that the year closed without indebtedness.

Mrs. A. H. Woodcock, of Nebraska, spoke of the fine exhibit which had been made by the Home in the Trans-Mississippi Exposition at Omaha, and the marked attention which it had received. She said a flagstaff was greatly desired for the Home. She presented a plan for practically interesting farmers in the Mothers' Jewels Home, by asking them to contribute a certain number of bushels of wheat or corn, or the equivalent in money, and requested Conference Corresponding Secretaries to help in this matter.

Mrs. Aiken moved that the recommendations of Mrs. Woodcock be adopted. Carried.

The appended list of pledges was made for scholarships: Iowa Conference, $40; Nebraska, $100; New England, $50; Minnesota, $90, $50 of which is in memory of Mrs. J. M. Martin; Genesee, $80; Newark Young People, $50; Trinity Church, Oil City, Pa., $50; and Mrs. Arter, $50.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

The report of the Bureau for Systematic Beneficence, Mrs. Samuel Hamilton, Secretary, was listened to with profound interest. Mrs. Hamilton called attention to the leaflet she had prepared, "The Consecration of the Tenth," and invited the ladies to take one. She felt that the name of each Conference officer would be a power for the advancement of the cause.

Mrs. Aiken moved that a Committee be appointed to define the duties of the Auxiliary Special Committee on Systematic Beneficence, and that Mrs. Hamilton be Chairman, with power to choose the members of this Committee. The motion prevailed.

Mrs. Campbell presented a resolution, asking that space be given in the blanks for Conference reports for the use of the Department of Systematic Beneficence, and that Secretaries for this special work be appointed in each Conference. Adopted.

On motion of Mrs. Roach, the report was adopted by a rising vote, and ordered published in pamphlet form, and distributed throughout the Conferences. (See Report.)

Mr. Samuel Hamilton read a paper written by the Rev. Luther E. Lovejoy, of Michigan, on the subject of Tithing.

On motion, a vote of thanks was extended to the author, the Rev. Mr. Lovejoy, and to Mr. Hamilton for reading this paper.

In this connection, Mrs. H. C. McCabe submitted a petition, which

it was desired should be presented to the Bishops of our Church, asking them to bring this important subject of tithing before the Church.

Miss Van Marter moved that this admirable petition be sent to our Bishops from our Woman's Home Missionary Society. Carried.

Mrs. H. C. McCabe moved that the signatures of the President and the Corresponding Secretary of this Society, together with that of the Secretary of the Bureau for Systematic Beneficence, be attached to the petition. Carried.

Mrs. Woodcock offered the following:

Resolved, That we diligently instruct the young people and children in the duty of tithing.

Adopted.

A most cordial invitation was received from the Auxiliary of Oakland Church, Chicago, to the ladies of this Convention to attend an informal reception in the church, Friday afternoon, October 28th inst., to meet the ladies of Chicago and its suburbs. On motion, accepted with thanks.

Mrs. L. C. Latimer announced that she had arranged for ladies to speak in some of the pulpits of Chicago the following Sunday.

After a fervent prayer was offered by Mrs. Bishop McCabe, on motion, the meeting adjourned until two o'clock in the afternoon.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

THE President, Mrs. Fisk, called the Convention to order at two o'clock. The hymn, "Come, my soul, thy suit prepare," was sung. Mrs. T. F. Gatchell read the latter part of First James, and prayer was offered by Mrs. Murphy. Two stanzas of "Jesus, Lover of my soul," were sung in concluding the devotional exercises.

The Minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Green, and, on motion, adopted.

Dr. Ames presented the report of Sibley Hospital, which was listened to with interest. (See Report.)

Dr. Ames called attention to some leaflets and to catalogues of the National Training-school for distribution.

On motion of Mrs. Roach, Mrs. Campbell was granted the privilege of presenting a brief supplemental report from Mrs. Mansfield, Secretary of the Bureau for Immigrants, giving the statistics of the Philadelphia work, and mentioning as an evil influence in our Nation the activity of Mormon elders going abroad on almost every vessel, and returning to our country with recruits of Norwegian and Swedish girls.

In response to Mrs. Campbell's plea for pledges for the New York Immigrant Home, the following were made:

New Jersey Conference, $30; Central New York, $25; Newark, $100; Baltimore, $50; Pittsburg, $25; Upper Iowa, $25; Nebraska,

$50; New York East, $25; Northern New York, $25; New York, $200; Wyoming, $25; North Ohio, $25; Troy, $25; Central Ohio, $25; Illinois, $100; Northwest Indiana, $10; Genesee, $10; Michigan, $10; Hennepin Avenue Church, Minneapolis, $50; First Church, St. Paul, $50; Rochester Auxiliary, Minnesota Conference, $10; Mrs. Samuel Hamilton, $25; Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk, $10; and Mrs. J. O. Peck, $10.

On motion, the report was accepted. (See Report.)

The Committee on Credentials recommended that Mrs. N. S. Brush, of the Iowa Conference, be recognized as a delegate, and, on motion of Mrs. Roach, the recommendation was adopted.

Mrs. D. A. Minard, Assistant Secretary of the Bureau for Deaconess Work, then took charge of the program in the interest of this special work, and five-minute reports were presented of Aldrich Memorial Home, Grand Rapids, Mich., by Mrs. Master; Baltimore Home, by Mrs. Roach; Brooklyn Home, by Mrs. Peck; Bidwell Deaconess Home, Des Moines, Iowa, by Mrs. T. F. Gatchell; Cleveland Home, by Mrs. C. H. Weed; Buffalo, by Mrs. Minard; Cunningham Home and Orphanage, Urbana, Ill., by Mrs. Potter; Davis Home, Salt Lake City, Utah, by Mrs. Potter; Newark Conference Deaconess Home, Jersey City, N. J., by Mrs. Barkelew; Lucy Webb Hayes Deaconess Home, Washington, D. C., by Mrs. Roach; Los Angeles and Pasadena Home, at Los Angeles, Cal., by Mrs. Crist; San Francisco Home, by Mrs. L. P. Williams; and Pittsburg Home, by Mrs. Schoyer.

Mrs. Minard emphasized the fact that the success of the Rest Home at Ocean Grove, N. J., was largely due to the efforts of Mrs. Anna Kent and Mrs. Wilbur F. Day.

Mrs. Fisk, with much feeling, called attention to the loving tribute from the New York Conference to our beloved President, in naming a room "The Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk Room," and over its portals are the words, "She openeth her mouth with wisdom, and in her tongue is the law of kindness."

Another room to which attention was called, was the "Ernest Benson Neff Room," in memory of the only son of Dr. and Mrs. John Neff, Baltimore, Md. The text bestowed upon this room was, "Occupy till I come."

Mrs. Fisk vacated the chair, and moved that a letter of warm sympathy be sent by Mrs. Minard to Mrs. Neff, in view of her sorrow in the loss of her brothers.

Mrs. Barkelew read Mrs. Kent's report of Rest Home, and Mrs. W. F. Day supplemented this with a financial statement to the effect that there is due on the contractor's bill the sum of $200; for interest money, $300; and on furniture, $200.

Miss Miner spoke of the pleasure and blessing of rest at this Home, after describing her own pretty room.

Mrs. Minard's earnest plea for money to carry forward the work of Rest Home, and cancel its indebtedness, resulted in the following pledges:

Baltimore Conference, $100; New York East, $50; Troy, $50; New York, $20; Genesee, $50; Newark, $100; North Indiana, $10; Wilmington, $10; Indiana, $5; Auxiliary of New London, Conn., $5; Auxiliary of Grand Avenue Church, Kansas City, $10; Hennepin Avenue, Minneapolis, $10; Wesley Church, Minneapolis, $10; Franklin Avenue, Minneapolis, $10; First Church, Rochester, N. Y., $10; Mrs. W. C. Herron, $5; Mrs. J. W. Gosling, $5; Mrs. Samuel Hamilton, $5; Mrs. Bishop McCabe, $5.

Pledges for Entertainment Fund: Baltimore Conference, $10; Kansas, $10.

On motion, these reports were accepted. (See Reports.)

Mrs. R. H. Young announced a telegram received from Mrs. C. B. Spencer, of Denver, Col., saying that a serious accident to her husband had prevented her attendance. On motion, the Recording Secretary was instructed to send a note of sympathy.

"Peace, Peace, Wonderful Peace," were the words and influence of the beautiful song given by Miss Durham.

Mrs. H. H. Reed, fraternal delegate from the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, brought sisterly greetings and a Godspeed to our endeavor to bring our native land nearer Christ.

A pleasant invitation to visit the art gallery of Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Walker was, on motion, accepted with thanks.

On motion, adjourned until Monday morning at nine o'clock, after announcing Young People's Meeting for three o'clock Sunday afternoon, and Anniversary exercises Sunday evening at 7.30 o'clock.

The benediction was pronounced by the Rev. F. A. Riggan.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON.

THE Young People's Meeting was held in Wesley Church at three o'clock, Mrs. Samuel Hazlett presiding.

Delightful recitations and songs were given by the children, and brief addresses by Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk, Mrs. F. A. Aiken, Mrs. Isabella Spurlock, and Mrs. James Dale.

SUNDAY EVENING.

THE Anniversary of the Society was held in Wesley Methodist Episcopal Church, Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk presiding.

A fine organ voluntary preceded the singing of "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow," and the repetition of the Twenty-third Psalm by the large audience.

The hymn, "Come, thou Almighty King, and reign over us," was sung.

Rev. Matt. S. Hughes, D. D., the pastor, read the Parable of the Lost Sheep, and led in prayer.

The President, Mrs. Fisk, spoke words of rejoicing, in view of the progress and prosperity of the Society.

The Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. R. S. Rust, presented an abstract of her Annual Report.

The Treasurer, Mrs. Delia Lathrop Williams, submitted a summary of receipts and disbursements.

Miss Florence Pace rendered "O Divine Redeemer," with accompaniment of violoncello, piano, and organ, with magnificent effect.

Mrs. W. C. Herron gave an able annual address. (See Address.)

Two stanzas of "All hail the power of Jesus' Name" were sung.

The benediction was pronounced by the Rev. Matt. S. Hughes, D. D.

MONDAY MORNING.

PROMPTLY at nine o'clock, the President, Mrs. Fisk, took the chair, and Mrs. Williams led the devotional exercises. Prayer was offered by Mrs. Baker and Mrs. Reed, and "I need Thee every hour" was sung.

The Minutes of the afternoon session were read by Mrs. Aiken, and adopted.

Reports of Conferences were presented by the respective Corresponding Secretaries, as follows: Mrs. Margaret Alspaugh, for Upper Iowa; Mrs. R. W. Bates, for Wisconsin; Mrs. I. N. Clements, for Mrs. W. A. Brownell, Central New York; Mrs. L. H. Bunyan, for North Indiana; Mrs. Levi Master, for Michigan; Mrs. E. B. Green, for Genesee; Mrs. M. Benson, for West Wisconsin; and Mrs. L. G. Murphy, for Iowa.

On motion, these excellent reports were adopted. (See Reports.)

Mrs. Crist stated that Mrs. J. M. Martin, of Minneapolis, who had given valuable assistance in preparing for this Convention, had passed from labor to reward, and she desired that an expression of sympathy be sent to her husband.

On motion, Mrs. Aiken was instructed to prepare such a letter.

Mrs. Rust made appreciative mention of the services of Mrs. Bishop McCabe, in giving addresses and organizing Auxiliaries at the Conferences over which Bishop McCabe had presided.

The time for the election of officers having arrived, Mrs. D. L. Williams was called to the chair, and gave instruction as to the methods of election and persons entitled to vote. A question was asked as to whether the Secretary of a Deaconess Board was entitled to a vote, and decided in the negative.

Preliminary to the election, Bishop Joyce led in prayer, and two stanzas of "Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove," were sung.

The question was asked, "Are Honorary Vice-Presidents allowed to vote?" Mrs. Aiken stated that by a previous action of this body they were entitled to seat and voice, but not vote.

Mrs. Robinson desired to express her pleasure in the presence of Bishop Joyce in our meeting, and made reference to the uniform kindness of all members of the Board of Bishops.

Mrs. Rust stated that whenever, in her official position, she needed help or advice on important matters, it was her custom to go to the Bishops for this assistance.

In response. Bishop Joyce desired to add what he had said on Saturday, that God had made the Methodist Church wonderfully rich in its women, and after speaking of his work in presiding over many Conferences, and the spirit of heroic self-sacrifice shown by the wives of preachers who were sent to hard appointments on small salaries, he called upon the preachers' wives who were members of the Convention to arise, and a goodly number arose.

He thought it a matter for congratulation on the part of the Church that the men and the women, and the young life of the Church, were coming into active service. He prayed that God's blessing might be upon all, and that the Church, with all these organizations, might keep step with God in his onward march.

Mrs. Williams appointed as the first set of tellers, Mrs. J. M. Leonard, Miss Annie Cummings, Mrs. L. H. Bunyan, and Mrs. L. P. Williams, with Mrs. E. B. Green as Secretary; second set of tellers, Mrs. C. E. Hill, Mrs. M. Alspaugh, Mrs. Daniel Smith, and Mrs. C. H. Weed, with Miss Van Marter as Secretary.

The Recording Secretary read Section 3, Article I, of the By-laws as to form of election, and announced the number of ladies entitled to vote as sixty-five.

The informal ballot for President was then ordered.

The second set of tellers was called, and the informal ballot for Vice-Presidents ordered.

The first set of tellers announced the informal ballot for President as follows: Total number of votes cast, sixty-five; for Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk, sixty-two.

On motion, the informal ballot was made the formal ballot, and the Recording Secretary, Mrs. Aiken, as instructed, cast the ballot of the Convention for Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk as President of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church for the ensuing year, and the Chairman announced her as duly elected.

Mrs. Fisk was presented to the Convention by Mrs. Marcy, and was greeted with the Chautauqua salute. Mrs. Fisk expressed her appreciation of their continued expression of confidence, and her willingness to serve the Society in this relation. When elected to this office, five years ago, she had not thought herself qualified, and was still distrustful of herself, but had given, as she had pledged a year since, the "best there was in her to the Society."

One stanza of "Guide me, O thou great Jehovah," was sung.

The informal ballot for Corresponding Secretary was ordered.

On motion, Mrs. Green was instructed to collect the ballots of the tellers absent from the room, for the Corresponding Secretary.

Pending the return of the tellers, reports of the Baltimore and the New York East Conferences were given respectively by Mrs. Clara L. Roach and Mrs. J. A. Lantry.

The tellers reported number of ballots cast for Corresponding Secretary, 64. Mrs. R. S. Rust received 64, and, on motion, the formal ballot was made the informal ballot, and the Recording Secretary cast the ballot of the Convention for this faithful servant of the Society.

The Chairman announced Mrs. Rust as the Corresponding Secretary of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and Mrs. Rust said she felt this to be one of the happiest moments of her life. Last year she had attended the meeting in great weakness, and when a little later her physician had expressed doubt as to a longer continuance of her life, she at the family altar consecrated herself anew to the Master's service, and had been so mercifully sustained that she had been able to perform all her duties, and was here with greater strength than the year previous.

"What a Friend we have in Jesus," and "My faith looks up to Thee," were sung.

Mrs. Robinson moved that, in view of Mrs. Rust's many labors, and her poor health and need of assistance, that Mrs. Rust be empowered to secure a secretary, at terms that she shall arrange. Carried.

The informal ballot for Recording Secretary was ordered.

The tellers reported the ballot for Vice-President, as follows: Mrs. W. C. Herron, 62; Mrs. J. B. Robinson, 60; Mrs. H. C. McCabe, 60; Mrs. Bishop Walden, 55; and Mrs. F. S. Hoyt, 46.

On motion, the Recording Secretary cast the formal ballot for these ladies as Vice-Presidents of the Society, and the Chairman announced them as duly elected.

The informal ballot was ordered for Treasurer.

At this point, five delegates having arrived, the number entitled to vote was increased to 70.

The tellers announced the informal ballot for Recording Secretary. Whole number of votes cast, 64; of which Mrs. Aiken received 63. Mrs. Green, as instructed, cast the formal ballot of the Convention for Mrs. Aiken as Recording Secretary of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

In announcing Mrs. Aiken's election, the Chairman, Mrs. Williams, said that the Society had no more faithful, painstaking servant than this one. When conducted to the platform by Mrs. Fisk, Mrs. Aiken said that if she were facetious she should declare herself as "just sweet sixteen," since she had served the Society in this capacity for about that length of time; but not being facetious, she should say that she assumed this office with a deep sense of the responsibilities of her work, and thankful to her Heavenly Father for the opportunity for service.

The tellers reported the informal ballot for Treasurer, as follows: Number of votes cast, 62; for Mrs. Williams, 61.

Mrs. Aiken, being instructed to cast the formal ballot of the Society for Mrs. Williams as Treasurer, said that she was glad to have this as her first official duty after election.

In accepting her office, Mrs. Williams said that she came to the meeting with a heavy heart, because not all the old obligations of the Society had been canceled. It had been impossible, but God had helped her in every extremity, through the thoughtfulness of the women of the Society, in sending money whenever the treasury ran low, so that at the beginning of every month she had been able to pay the salaries of the missionaries. She begged the ladies to continue this care of the treasury, and to guard most carefully the interests of the General Fund.

The devotional hour having arrived, Mrs. Barkelew announced Hymn 384, and led in prayer, after which "He leadeth me" was sung.

Attention was called to the invitation of Dr. Cyrus Northrop to visit the University of Minnesota, and, on motion of Mrs. Green, the invitation was accepted, with thanks.

Adjourned, on motion, to meet at two o'clock. The benediction was pronounced by Rev. Matt. S. Hughes, D. D.

MONDAY AFTERNOON.

THE afternoon session was opened at two o'clock, with Mrs. Fisk, the President, in the chair. "A charge to keep I have" was sung, and Mrs. I. L. Hunt read and briefly spoke upon the question in the eleventh chapter of Acts, "Have I received the Holy Ghost?" Mrs. Alexander Bramley led in prayer, after which "Coronation" was sung.

The Minutes of the morning session were read by Mrs. Albright, and adopted.

Mrs. Fisk announced that the Convention would now proceed to complete the election of officers, with Mrs. D. L. Williams in the chair.

The first set of tellers was called, and ballots distributed.

Mrs. G. H. Thompson, of Cincinnati, asked if she might be permitted to cast the ballots of three ladies entitled to vote, who are compelled to be absent and had prepared their ballots for the Managers. On motion that she be so allowed, it was argued that it would not be wise to establish the precedent, and the motion was lost.

The Chairman requested that the ballots be prepared for the twelve Managers. After these ballots were collected, Mrs. Fisk stated that the Advisory Board of seven ladies was not anticipated by the Constitution of the Society; but this Board had been sanctioned by the Society, because of the helpfulness, by suggestion, they could afford to the Board of

Trustees when in attendance upon their meetings, where they have a voice but no vote.

Mrs. D. L. Williams stated that Mrs. G. W. Mansfield was not able to render any assistance on the Advisory Board, and would be glad to be excused, and suggested the name of Mrs. J. H. Schoyer, of Pittsburg.

The second set of tellers was called, and the Convention prepared ballots for the Advisory Board of seven members.

The following ladies were nominated by the Board of Trustees for Bureau Secretaries, and duly confirmed. (See Annual Report, pages 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12.)

Mrs. Bramley asked that a rising vote of thanks be given to Mrs. Ampt for her untiring efforts as Railroad Secretary on behalf of this Society. The vote was cheerfully given.

Mrs. Crist, of California, asked if General Organizers prevented the employment of Conference Organizers. Mrs. Rust replied: "Not at all. We are anxious to encourage Conference Organizers, for we believe each Conference should have its own workers to extend its work."

Mrs. Rust called attention to the fact that the charter of the National Training-school in Washington demanded that each organized Conference shall be represented by a Conference Manager, whose duty it is to care for the interests of the Training-school within the bounds of her Conference, such Manager to be elected by the Conference Society, and confirmed by the Board of Trustees of the General Society.

The report of the New York Conference was given by Mrs. J. W. Campbell, Secretary, and, on motion, adopted. (See Report.)

Miss Van Marter announced the vote for the nomination of the Advisory Board. Whole number of votes cast, 53; number of votes necessary to choice, 27. Mrs. J. P. Negus received 52; Mrs. J. M. King, 51; Mrs. Samuel Hamilton, 50; Mrs. H. M. Teller, 50; Mrs. J. W. Hamilton, 50; Mrs. H. W. Rogers, 45; and Mrs. M. J. Schoyer, 36.

On motion of Mrs. T. J. Everett, the Advisory Board was elected by acclamation.

Mrs. Elizabeth Parker, of Topeka, Kansas, moved that Miss Moore, our missionary from Dulce, New Mexico, be given an opportunity to present her work. Carried.

Miss Moore spoke of the improved condition of their surroundings, and the increased interest manifested by those whom they try to help. Their cottages are occupied by those who are under their influence, and all who receive the advantages the school affords are expected to pay something; if not money, then such commodities as beef, vegetables, grain, or feed for their horses. She spoke of their special need of desks for the little chapel, and seats instead of the rude boxes they had been using, adding that the question is not how to get the children, but how to take care of them when they come.

Miss Maria Clegg, Miss Moore's associate, sent greetings to the Convention, and Mrs. Rust was requested to respond.

Mrs. Fisk asked what it would cost to seat the chapel. Miss Moore said from $75 to $100. The President urged that this amount be secured, and pledges promptly came as follows:

Kansas Conference, $5; New York, $10; North Nebraska, $10; Cincinnati, $5; Nebraska, $5; Mrs. D. L. Williams, $2; Mrs. Samuel Hamilton, $5; Mrs. L. P. Bennett, $50; Mrs. Schoyer, $2; Mrs. W. F. Day, $10; A friend, $1.

Mrs. Elizabeth Parker, President of the Kansas Conference, read the report of the Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Hilda McBride. She spoke of a new feature at their camp-meeting, which proved an incentive to their work; viz., that of a reception, to which all the ladies upon the ground were invited, and where the work of the Society was presented.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Green reported votes cast for Managers, to be as follows: Mrs. M. T. Carey, 56; Mrs. W. M. Ampt, 55; Mrs. W. A. Goodman, Jr., 55; Mrs. I. D. Jones, 55; Mrs. J. L. Whetstone, 54; Mrs. Anna Kent, 54; Mrs. James Dale, 54; Mrs. E. L. Albright, 53; Mrs. W. L. Boswell, 53; Mrs. Lewis Curts, 53; Mrs. J. W. Gosling, 52; Mrs. George H. Thompson, 51.

Mrs. Beedy, of Maine, moved that the Secretary be instructed to cast the ballot for the twelve ladies nominated. The ballot was cast, and the ladies declared duly elected.

Mrs. George H. Thompson, Mrs. James Dale, and Mr. Richard Dymond were chosen Auditing Committee.

Mrs. Annia Hobbs Woodcock, Corresponding Secretary, gave the report of the Nebraska Conference.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

The hour for the communion service having arrived, business was staid.

Mrs. C. D. Hays, of St. Paul, rendered, in magnificent voice, the beautiful solo, "Take my soul, Lord," which was a fitting opening to the communion service, which was conducted by Bishop Joyce, assisted by six pastors from the city and Rev. Riggin, of Montana. None can forget the holy calm that pervaded the room during the entire service. Each heart must have felt a Divine impulse for a new and fuller consecration.

Adjourned until 7.30, with benediction by Bishop Joyce.

MONDAY EVENING.

THE President, Mrs. Fisk, occupied the chair.

The devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. N. F. Brush, of Iowa, who announced as the opening hymn, "How firm a foundation," and read the 147th Psalm, after which prayer was offered by Mrs. L. G. Murphy. "Watchman, tell us of the night," was sung.

The Minutes of the afternoon session were read by Mrs. Potter, and adopted.

A vocal solo was beautifully rendered by Mrs. William M. Porteous.

Mrs. Aiken, in the absence of Mrs. G. E. Palen, Secretary of the Bureau for Georgia, submitted her report.

Pledges were made as follows: For Haven Home—Salary, Erie Conference, $300; scholarships—Central Ohio, $50; North Ohio, $25; Newark, $40; Troy, $40. For Mary Haven Home: First Church, Minneapolis, $10. For Thayer Home: Salary, North Indiana, $360; scholarships, Maine, $50.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. E. L. Albright, Secretary of the Bureau for East Central States, preceded the reading of her report by a pleasant tribute to the generosity of the women who, in previous years, had pledged all she asked, and stated that this time she came to tell them of work which had reached a degree of completion.

The following pledges were made: For Allen Home—Scholarships, New England Conference, $35; East Ohio, $40; North Ohio, $40; Genesee, $40; Pittsburg, $10; and Wilmington, $20. For Browning Home Plantation Work: New England Conference, $40; and New England Southern, $25.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. L. P. Williams, Secretary of the Bureau for Orientals, read a carefully-prepared report, which elicited much interest.

Pledges were made as follows: For salary of teacher—West Wisconsin Conference, $20. For scholarships—Baltimore Conference, $60; Central Pennsylvania, $60; Northwest Iowa, $60; Maine, $30; Iowa, $30; Detroit, $20; North Indiana, $60; New England, $25; North Ohio, $30; and Minnesota, $60.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Angie F. Newman asked permission to speak concerning the Indian Exhibit at the Trans-Mississippi Exposition, Omaha, and presented a cordial invitation from Captain Mercer, of the 8th United States Infantry, in charge of the Indian Encampment, to members of this Convention to take this opportunity to study the Indian question.

Mrs. M. H. Davis, Secretary of the Central Ohio Conference, presented report, which, on motion, was adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Green offered the following, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the able anniversary address which was delivered before this body by Mrs. W. C. Herron on Sunday evening be published in our next Annual Report.

Mrs. Green, Secretary, submitted the report of the Bureau for Local Work without reading, which, on motion, was accepted.

A motion prevailed to adjourn until nine o'clock Tuesday morning.

The doxology was sung, and the benediction pronounced by Rev. F. A. Riggin.

TUESDAY MORNING.

AT nine o'lock the Convention was called to order by the President, Mrs. Fisk. The devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. M. Benson, of the West Wisconsin Conference, who announced the 653d hymn. The twelfth chapter of Romans was read, and prayers were offered by Rev. F. A. Riggin and Mrs. L. P. Williams. "My Jesus, as thou wilt," was sung in conclusion.

The Minutes of the previous session were read by Miss Van Marter, and, on motion, adopted.

The report of the Newark Conference was presented by the Secretary, Mrs. Charles E. Hill, and, on motion, adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. E. L. Runyan sweetly sang, "I 'll go where you want me to go, dear Lord."

The session adjourned, and the Committee of the Whole on Appropriations convened immediately. The remainder of the morning was given to its work.

At 12.45 this Committee arose. The President, Mrs. Fisk, called the session to order. Mrs. Jane Bancroft Robinson offered prayer.

On motion, the meeting adjourned until two o'clock. The benediction was pronounced by Rev. M. S. Hughes, D. D.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON.

PURSUANT to adjournment, the President, Mrs. Fisk, called the meeting to order at two o'clock. The devotional exercises were conducted by Miss Mary S. Pegram. Hymn 770 was sung, the 46th Psalm read, and prayer offered by Mrs. E. E. Marcy.

The Minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Green, and adopted.

Miss Martha Van Marter, Chairman of the Leaflet Committee, submitted a detailed report, and added that Rev. J. C. Thomas had presented the Society with a large amount of valuable literature for distribution in our Homes, but which had not been sent out, because of a lack of funds for its transportation. It being estimated that ten dollars would be sufficient, the amount was quickly subscribed by the following ladies: Mrs. Angie F. Newman, $5; Mrs. L. G. Murphy, $1; Mrs. J. P. Negus, $1; Mrs. B. S. Potter, $1; Mrs. E. W. Simpson, $1; and Mrs. H. C. McCabe, $1.

On motion, the report was adopted (See Report), and Miss Van Marter was instructed to communicate thanks to the Rev. J. C. Thomas for his generous gift.

Mrs. Herron presented the name of Mrs. Della C. Geggie, of Duluth, Minn., as General Organizer, and the appointment was confirmed. Mrs.

Rust submitted the names of Mrs. Angie F. Newman and Mrs. Clara L. Roach, and they were confirmed General Organizers.

A question was asked as to how much money was raised in the ten thousand Jewels' Mite-boxes, and the disposition of the funds, to which the reply was made by Miss Van Marter that the amount was not known to her, and that the money had probably been sent to the General Treasury, through the regular channels.

Mrs. Bishop Hargrove, Corresponding Secretary of the Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, was conducted to the platform by Mrs. Rust, and greeted by the Convention most heartily.

Mrs. Hargrove said she was glad to be here, and she thought herself so much a cosmopolitan as to deserve a place among us, her father an American, her mother an English woman, while she, the daughter of a missionary who had given life in the service, was born in the Province of Assam, India, and brought up in the West. She brought from the Society she represented a loving greeting, and stated that she had watched our wonderful work in all sections of the country with pride and gratitude.

Mrs. Hargrove stated that the Society she represented was establishing Homes in the South and missions in cities, and among the Cubans, Japanese, and Chinese. She prayed that we might unite in a great league to draw every Christian woman into the mission work of the Church.

Mrs. Roach presented the following preamble and resolution, which were adopted:

WHEREAS, We have listened with great pleasure to our dear sister, Mrs. Bishop Hargrove, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South; therefore,

Resolved, That we desire to manifest our appreciation of her kindly greeting by a rising vote, and request her to convey to her constituency our interest in their work, and our joy in its success.

A request being made that some one be sent to address the students of the University of Minnesota, Mrs. Fisk stated that she had already designated Mrs. J. B. Robinson to perform this service.

The report of the Bureau for West Central States, in the absence of the Secretary, Mrs. Mary Fisk Park, was read by Mrs. Charles Olney.

Pledges were made as follows: New Jersey Home, Morristown, Tenn.—Scholarships: Troy Conference, $100; Newark, $40; New Jersey, $20; Salary of Miss Mosher, Michigan, $320. For Kent Home, Greensboro, N. C.: Scholarships—Troy Conference, $40; New York, $50; New Jersey, $50; New Hampshire, $10. For repairs: Troy, $25. For Ritter Home: Scholarships—New England Conference, $15; Michigan, $80; Northern New York, $20; Ohio, $40; North Ohio, $40; East Ohio, $50; Pittsburg, $5.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

The Committee on Resolutions presented the name of Mrs. Samuel

Hamilton as a delegate from this body to the National Council of Women, in session at Omaha. Discussion followed, resulting in the opinion that the sending of a delegate suggested the idea of affiliation.

A substitute was offered, to the effect that Mrs. Hamilton go as a representative from this body, leaving the matter of affiliation for later consideration, which was adopted.

A resolution was presented by Mrs. Roach, which provides for a meeting of Conference Secretaries at least one day prior to the meeting of the General Board of Managers, which was adopted.

Miss Nellie McCullom sang most beautifully a solo, entitled, "There is a green hill far away."

Mrs. John Taylor, Corresponding Secretary of the Minnesota Conference, made a most interesting report of the work of the Conference, indicating advancement along all lines, and such generous contributions, that the amount given had reached $9 per capita. (See Report.) On motion, adopted.

Announcements were made, and the Convention adjourned until 7.30 o'clock, voices uniting in singing the doxology.

TUESDAY EVENING.

A SERVICE of song was enjoyed before the Convention was called to order by the President, Mrs. Fisk. Miss Iva May Durham read the 91st Psalm—the "Psalm of Safety"—and Mrs. Aiken led in prayer, after which Miss Durham gave a vocal solo, "He was not willing that any should perish."

The Minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Albright, and adopted.

The President, in introducing Mrs. James Dale, Secretary of the Bureau for Supplies, said that recently one of the Bishops of our Church said to her that many of our church doors would have to be closed were it not for the Supplies Department of our Woman's Home Missionary Society.

Mrs. Dale said she had the names of seven hundred ministers on her books who received less than four hundred dollars a year salary, but she was happy to say there were sixty thousand women in our Society to care for them. Her report was offered, and, on motion, adopted. (See Report.)

Mr. Oscar Seagle rendered most delightfully the solo, "The Peans of Peace." In response to an encore, he sang, "Scatter seeds of kindness."

Mrs. Albright offered the following resolution, which, was, on motion, adopted:

Resolved, That we most sincerely thank Mr. B. D. Caldwell, Chairman of the Western Passenger Association, for the large favors granted our Society in the matter of reduced rates for this Convention.

Mrs. Samuel Hazlett, Secretary of the Bureau for Young People's Work, followed with her report, which, on motion, was adopted. (See Report.)

The President introduced Miss Ida M. Gibson, our missionary among the Italians in New Orleans. Miss Gibson said that in this city there were thirty thousand of this nationality, fourteen thousand arriving each year, sometimes one thousand from one vessel. Four hundred a year, on an average, return to Italy. Thus can be seen our great opportunity, not only to reach those in our own land, but to send the gospel abroad.

A convert of our Italian Mission in New Orleans recently carried with him to his home in Italy an Italian Bible, which he gave to his old father, who was a Roman Catholic, but who read the Word, not knowing what it was. When told, he at once gave his heart to God. The father and son and his wife began together to tell the story of the Cross. They were driven from home by enraged relatives. But now, a recent letter says, "We go from place to place, telling the people about Jesus."

One of these New Orleans Italians told Miss Gibson that he had voted for twenty-eight years, but had never heard of the Constitution of the United States.

The homes of these people were vividly described, showing the condition of the women to be deplorable.

Mrs. Jane Bancroft Robinson, Secretary of the Bureau for Deaconess Work, introduced the program of the evening, consisting of practical questions on the deaconess work, by saying that the hour was late, and suggested that a selection from the papers be made.

Mrs. Roach moved that we hear the paper prepared by Mrs. D. A. Minard, upon the "Financial Support of Deaconess Homes," and the motion prevailed.

Mrs. Minard's paper was replete with good suggestions. (See Paper.)

On motion, the discussion of the paper was deferred until another session.

Mrs. Robinson asked that the Committee appointed by the Board of Trustees to devise plans by which each Auxiliary should be induced to give a sum in cash to Rust Hall be continued.

On motion of Mrs. Beedy, the Committee, consisting of Mrs. W. L. Boswell, Mrs. George H. Thompson, and Mrs. James Dale, was indorsed by the Convention, and continued.

On motion, the meeting adjourned until nine o'clock Wednesday morning.

After singing the doxology, the benediction was pronounced by Rev. F. A. Riggin.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

THE President, Mrs. Fisk, occupied the chair, and the devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. J. P. Negus, who read part of the twenty-fourth chapter of Luke, and offered prayer. "A charge to keep I have," was sung.

Mrs. Fisk announced that if there were any pupils of Mary Lyon, or graduates of Mt. Holyoke College, Mrs. James Douglass would be glad to meet them.

The Minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Potter, and adopted.

The report of the Committee on Day of Humiliation and Prayer was presented by Mrs. M. C. Hickman, and, on motion, adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. D. L. Williams moved that Mrs. Hickman be reappointed Chairman of the Committee on Day of Humiliation and Prayer. Carried.

Mrs. Hickman submitted the following, which was adopted:

Resolved, That, through Mrs. Bishop Hargrove, we cordially invite the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, to unite with societies of the Presbyterian, Baptist, Congregational, and Methodist Episcopal Churches, in the observance of the Day of Humiliation and Prayer.

Miss Van Marter reported with reference to leaflets and programs for the Day of Humiliation and Prayer. On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

The report of the North Ohio Conference was read by the Secretary, Mrs. A. D. Knapp, and adopted. (See Report.)

The President, Mrs. Fisk, called to the platform Mrs. E. J. L. Baker, the President of the Erie Conference Society from its organization, eighteen years since, and, on behalf of the members of the Convention, presented a piece of her own handiwork—a beautiful shoulder cape—purchased by the ladies, as an expression of love for Mrs. Baker personally, and a recognition of her long, faithful service in advancing the interests of the Society.

Mrs. Baker was visibly affected by this tribute, and responded in fitting words from a full heart.

"Blest be the tie that binds," was sung with feeling.

Mrs. Roach moved that the Rev. A. H. Ames, D. D., be confirmed President of the Lucy Webb Hayes National Training-school at Washington, D. C. Carried.

On motion, adjourned for a meeting of the Committee of the Whole on Appropriations.

When the Committee arose, the President, Mrs. Fisk, resumed the chair and the report of the Committee on Place of Meeting was submitted by Mrs. Charles Olney. This report exhibited invitations from Pittsburg,

Omaha, Montana, and New York. The invitation received from Christ Church, Pittsburg, Pa., was accepted.

The hymn, "Watchman, tell us of the night," was sung, and Mrs. Alspaugh, in opening the devotional half-hour, said her mind was filled with serious reflections regarding the territorial extension of our country, and its rapidly-enlarging population, and she called for quotations of Scripture passages for the assurance of our faith. In response, many precious promises were repeated.

The exercises closed with singing, "There 's a wideness in God's mercy."

On motion, the meeting adjourned until two P. M. The benediction was pronounced by Rev. F. A. Riggin.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

THE Convention was called to order by the President, Mrs. Fisk, and the devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. A. F. Beiler. Two stanzas of the hymn, "O, could I speak the matchless worth," were sung.

The Minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Albright, and adopted.

Mrs. Ampt requested the privilege of presenting Mrs. J. B. Starkey to the Convention, saying that she had rendered efficient and very valuable service to the Railroad Committee; also that a Quaker friend, through Mrs. Starkey, had furnished the bountiful supply of roses, chrysanthemums, palms, etc., which had been so greatly enjoyed by the ladies of the Convention. Mrs. Fisk introduced Mrs. Starkey with appropriate words.

On motion, the Convention adjourned to go into Committee of the Whole on Appropriations.

When the Committee adjourned, the President resumed the chair.

Mrs. W. M. Ampt, Chairman of Committee on Mite-boxes, submitted her report, and the following Divisional Mite-box Secretaries gave encouraging reports: Mrs. M. P. Brown, for Virginia and Cincinnati Conferences; Mrs. F. H. Lord, for New England States; Mrs. Asa Lee Phillips, for Erie Conference; Mrs. E. W. Seeds, for the Ohio Conferences; Mrs. Minnie Ervin, for the Indiana Conferences; and Mrs. J. W. Campbell, for Mrs. Mary Fisk Park, for Middle States.

On motion, these reports were adopted. (See Reports.)

Mrs. Aiken read the report of the Committee on Publication, Mrs. F. S. Hoyt Chairman, which was considered item by item.

On motion of Mrs. D. L. Williams, recommendations one, two, and three were adopted, and the report was adopted as a whole after the fourth recommendation was referred to the Chairmen of the respective Committees named in the recommendation.

Mrs. E. E. Marcy, Chairman, gave the report of the Elizabeth E. Marcy Industrial Home and School, Chicago, Ill. She stated that the property had cost $30,000, and the debt at this time was only $5,000. The house has been built and paid for, with the exception of the $5,000, within the last ten years. No sum greater than $100 had been given by any contributor. Within the last year exemption from municipal taxation has been granted, after great and protracted effort. When the work was opened it was for Bohemians alone, but as time passed it was impossible to confine our work to one nationality.

Pledges were made as follows: Illinois Conference, $100; Iowa, $5; Indiana, $5; North Indiana, $10; New York, $10; Mrs. E. A. S. Barkelew, $10.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. D. L. Williams, Chairman, submitted the report for Ritter Home.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

On motion of Mrs. Williams, the question of a map, representing the location and character of our work in different parts of the country, was referred to Miss Van Marter.

Mrs. I. D. Jones offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That we diligently heed the request of Miss Van Marter, Chairman of the Committee on Leaflets, to secure from our Auxiliaries, Circles, and Bands twenty-five cents each to sustain the Leaflet Fund.

The following Conferences were represented by their respective Corresponding Secretaries or substitutes:

Maine, by Mrs. H. C. Beedy; Indiana, by Mrs. A. V. P. Adams; Pittsburg, by Mrs. M. J. Schoyer; Troy, by Mrs. E. W. Simpson; Northern New York, by Mrs. I. L. Hunt; California, by Mrs. L. P. Williams; Northwest Iowa, by Mrs. J. P. Negus; and Ohio, by Mrs. E. L. Albright.

By vote, these inspiring reports were adopted. (See Reports.)

Mrs. E. L. Albright offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That a letter of warmest sympathy be sent by the Recording Secretary, Mrs. Aiken, to Mrs. D. L. Kellicott, on account of the death of her husband, Professor Kellicott, a true friend of the Society.

Mrs. Aiken, for Miss Evans, the publisher of our official organ, presented the request that the following ladies constitute a Committee on Advertisements for *Woman's Home Missions:* Mrs. F. W. Ainsworth, Boston; Mrs. M. T. Carey, Mrs. George H. Thompson, Cincinnati; Mrs. J. B. Robinson, Detroit; Mrs. Mary Fisk Park, New York; Mrs. F. A. Arter, Cleveland; Mrs. J. A. Lantry, Brooklyn; Mrs. D. A. Minard, Buffalo; Mrs. A. V. P. Adams, Shelbyville, Ind.; Mrs. M. J. Schoyer, Allegheny, Pa.; Mrs. —— Murphy, Malden, Mass.; Mrs. Levi Master, Jackson, Mich.; Mrs. M. H. Davis, Toledo, O.; Mrs. W. B. Pope.

Tecumseh, Mich.; Mrs. E. B. Green, Rochester, N. Y.; Mrs. B. S. Potter, Bloomington, Ill.; Mrs. C. W. Gallagher, Auburndale, Mass.

The Committee was indorsed, and, by vote, appointed.

Mrs. Rust moved that an expression of sympathy be sent from this Convention to Mrs. M. R. Crawford, Williamsport, Pa., one of our valued workers, who is detained by personal illness.

Carried, and Mrs. Rust invited to send the communication.

The doxology was sung, and, on motion, the Convention adjourned until 7.30 P. M.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.

THE final session began at 7.30 o'clock, with the faithful President, Mrs. Fisk, in the chair. Hymn 117 was sung, and Mrs. F. L. Parker, of Finland, led in earnest prayer for God's blessing upon this land of many peoples and tongues, and for the spread of gospel light in all lands, after which three stanzas of the first hymn were sung.

The Minutes of the afternoon session were read by Mrs. Green and Mrs. Potter, corrected, and adopted.

Mrs. Walter S. Thompson sang, to the great delight of the audience, a beautiful solo.

The report of the Bureau for Mississippi, in the absence of the Secretary, Mrs. Henry C. Hedges, was read by Mrs. Aiken.

Pledges were made as follows: For E. L. Rust Home—Scholarships: Michigan Conference, $40; North Ohio, $50. For Bennett Home—Scholarships: Wyoming Conference, $100; North Indiana, $40; Northern New York, $20; Ohio, $200; North Ohio, $50; New England, $10; Grand Avenue Auxiliary, Kansas City, Mo., $10; Mrs. E. W. Simpson, $10; Mrs. Isabella Spurlock, $10; Mrs. F. A. Arter, $25; salary—Upper Iowa Conference, $400.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

In the absence of Mrs. J. L. Trisler, Secretary of the Bureau for Lectures and Home Missionary Reading Circle, Mrs. Aiken presented the report. The banner was again awarded to the Baltimore Conference.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

The reports of General Organizers Mrs. B. S. Potter and Mrs. C. W. Gallagher were presented, and, on motion, adopted. (See Reports.)

Mrs. Fisk, with much pleasure, reported the generous gifts from the ladies of the Churches in Minneapolis to Miss Moore, our missionary to the Apaches.

Mrs. Williams announced a kind contribution of money to the Treasury by the brethren of Wesley Church.

One stanza of "Come, thou Fount of every blessing," was sung.

The reports of Conferences without representation in this Conven-

tion, offered by Mrs. Rust and Mrs. Aiken, were, on motion, ordered printed in the Annual Report without reading.

On motion of Mrs. Bramley, the first part of the report of the Committee of the Whole on Appropriations, submitted by Mrs. Everett, in view of the fact that the appropriations had been made in open session, was adopted without a second reading. The remainder of the report, involving resolutions, was read and adopted, and, on motion, the report as a whole was adopted. (See Report.)

The report of the Committee on Resolutions was presented by Mrs. H. H. Reed, and, on motion, adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Aiken submitted the appended resolution, which was, on motion of Mrs. Beedy, adopted:

Resolved, That this Convention join the Recording Secretary in an expression of thanks to the Assistant Secretaries for their efficient services in recording the proceedings of this meeting.

Mrs. Hazlett offered the following, which, on motion, was adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this body be given to the General Officers of the Society for their untiring service and devotion during the Convention.

The report of the Committee on Scholarships was made by Mrs. D. L. Williams Chairman, and, on motion, adopted. (See Report.)

On motion of Mrs. G. H. Thompson, Chairman of the Committee on Insurance, this report was referred for publication, without reading. (See Report.)

On motion of Mrs. W. C. Herron, Chairman of the Committee on Missionary Candidates, this report was also referred for publication, without reading. (See Report.)

Mrs. Campbell presented the following resolution regarding the Emergency Fund, which was adopted:

Resolved, That this Convention recommends that each Auxiliary of our Society be requested to make a contribution toward the Emergency Fund the coming year, in order that the work, so well begun, may continue until it is completed.

The report of the Committee on By-laws was submitted by Mrs. J. M. Leonard, and, on motion, considered item by item.

Item No. 1, page 279, Sixteenth Annual Report, Section VI, for Missionary Candidates, No. 5, the word "May" recommended to be changed to *April*. Adopted.

Item No. 8, page 280, under head of By-laws for Conference Societies, insert after the words "Auxiliary Society" *and Young Women's Society;* also, after the word "members" insert *and fraction thereof*. Adopted.

On motion, the report was adopted as a whole. (See Report.)

Mrs. Fisk uttered kindly words of appreciation of the gracious services of the pages, and Mrs. Rust announced that these young ladies had each taken a ten-dollar subscription card to be filled for Rust Hall.

Mrs. Albright read the Minutes of the final session, which, on motion, were adopted.

Mrs. Fisk spoke earnest closing words, desiring God's blessing upon every one present, and the loved ones at home.

Solemnized were all hearts as Mrs. D. L. Williams read selected verses from the last chapter of Second Corinthians, and offered a soul-uplifting prayer, rejoicing in the consciousness of the Divine presence and blessing, while claiming God's promises and leadership for the future.

Mr. Oscar Seagle sang "God be with you till we meet again," the Convention joining in the chorus.

The meeting adjourned *sine die*. The Rev. F. A. Riggin pronounced the benediction.

The beauty and grace of Minnehaha Falls are pictured on memory's page; but the continuous hospitality and unvarying kindness of the Methodist women of Minneapolis, exhibited in their lovely homes, and graciously and bountifully dispensed each day in Wesley Church, are indelibly impressed upon the grateful hearts of the recipients.

MRS. F. A. AIKEN, RECORDING SECRETARY.

MRS. E. L. ALBRIGHT,
MRS. B. S. POTTER,
MISS MARTHA VAN MARTER,
MRS. E. B. GREEN,
} *Assistants.*

REPORT OF CORRESPONDING SECRETARY,

MRS. R. S. RUST.

CIRCUMSTANCES beyond my control have prevented the preparation for this annual gathering of such a Report as I earnestly desire to submit, and the merits of this cause so richly deserve. Not until a late hour did I cherish reasonable expectation of being present with you at this Anniversary, nor of being able to prepare even a brief Report for your consideration.

During the year I have carefully attended to the duties of the office, not allowing any interest to suffer for want of care and service. My recorded correspondence shows 3,400 pages of typewritten matter, while the unrecorded would make 2,000 pages more. The general correspondence of the Society is extensive; but I have not neglected that with missionaries, deaconesses, and Conference officers; have received and carefully examined their reports, and have, to the best of my ability, furnished such information and suggestion as each case seemed to demand.

The consideration of the various phases of the work, as it is represented in the monthly reports of our missionaries and organizers and the quarterly reports of Conference officers, requires much time and prayerful thought, in order to render them of value in securing efficiency and unity. The work, as it refers to organization and finance, is facilitated by the fact that our blanks bring to us the statistics, both of the membership and of the financial results, and enable us to ascertain the exact status of our work in each district and Auxiliary of the vast fields we are endeavoring to adjust and cultivate.

The correspondence with our devoted missionaries, exhibiting their heroism and willingness to make sacrifice for the advancement of the cause, is a constant source of inspiration. It gives their view of the field, shows what they are accomplishing, and what is needed of equipment and outlay for the highest usefulness of each mission. Largely-increased funds are needed to secure the full development of our missions, and enter the new fields opening and appealing to us for aid.

The correspondence with railroad officials has grown in magnitude and importance. These corporations, on application, grant us reduced rates for our workers. During the last year we have written over 1,500 letters, soliciting this favor from railroad officers, and arranging with missionaries and other workers for transportation, with the result of a saving to the Society on traveling expenses of more than $2,500.

The year has been marked by numerous tokens of the Divine favor. Only a very small number of our missionaries have suffered from severe illness, and bereavement has come to the families of comparatively few of our Auxiliary, Conference, or General Officers. Truly, God has been

with us. Increasing prosperity in the country has facilitated the collection of funds, which encourages our workers to assume obligations and faithfully meet them. In most of the Conferences the reports of organization show growth in membership and interest in home missions, which will greatly increase the receipts of coming years.

The TREASURER'S REPORT furnishes an improved balance-sheet. The receipts for the fiscal year, ending July 15, 1897, were: Cash, $156,960.54; supplies, $71,519.04; total, $228,485.58. For the year ending July 15, 1898: Cash, $183,332.83; supplies, $64,287.80; total, $247,620.63; an advance of $26,372.29 in cash receipts.

It is due to the Treasurer and to the Society to remember that when she entered upon the duties of the office the "debt" did not include several thousand dollars of outstanding bills for approved expenditures of the preceding year; but, not having been presented, did not appear on her books. There were no such claims at the close of the last year. The Society and the Treasurer are to be congratulated on our present improved financial condition, and with the Divine approval stimulating and prompting to greater effort, we may enthusiastically enter other fields inviting attention.

ECONOMY OF MANAGEMENT.—That our missions are near, and are conducted under the watch-care of the Board; that advantage can be taken by the Bureau in charge of home markets; and that all material for buildings and appliances for work can be secured at reasonable prices, enable us to obtain large results from a moderate expenditure of money. The Woman's Home Missionary Society has the advantage of all other benevolences of the Church in its low percentage of expenses of administration. Since its organization, the average cost of conducting the affairs of the Society,—including postage, printing, engraving, office charges, and the expenses of organization in the several Conferences, annual and special meetings, and the cost of sending $804,547.60 worth of supplies to the field,—has been only a fraction over three per cent of the total receipts of the Society. This low per cent of cost in conducting its affairs is largely owing to the fact that the officers make a voluntary contribution of their time, and frequently of traveling expenses, and no officer of the Society, General or Conference, receives a salary for her services.

OUR MISSIONS.

We do not here furnish details of the several missions, which are more appropriately included in the reports of the respective Bureaus; but only note a few incidents of especial interest, and call attention to new fields or features of the work, with such recommendations as seem to be necessary. Additions and repairs to our mission buildings have been made, as required for the growth of our work and the protection of our buildings.

At CAMDEN, S. C., the Industrial Home has been enlarged by the addition of a wing, which greatly increases its accommodations and

facilities. The school is in a prosperous condition, and is largely self-supporting.

At KING HOME, Marshall, Texas, the third story of the building has been finished and other improvements added, which contribute greatly to the influence of the institution.

At SIMPSON HOME, Orangeburg, S. C., the third story has also been finished, with equal advantage.

GLENN INDUSTRIAL HOME, Cincinnati.—The last dollar of its indebtedness having been paid during the year, it now enters with new courage and increased power upon its mission of usefulness in a needy section of this great city. It has already accomplished great good, and won the confidence of the people.

The ELIZABETH E. MARCY HOME, Chicago, with a property worth $40,000, with large plans of work, is burdened with a debt of $5,000, which, with aid anticipated from the General Board, they expect to liquidate during the coming year. This will leave the management free to enlarge its facilities for the accomplishment of the noble object it has in view.

BANCROFT REST HOME, at Ocean Grove, dedicated last July, is an attractive and commodious building, and well adapted in all its details to the important purpose to which it has been consecrated. It furnishes a delightful resting-place for our tired deaconesses and missionaries, surrounded by inspiring religious associations and the invigorating influence of the ocean. It was made possible by the joint gift of $1,000 by Mrs. Jane Bancroft Robinson and her sister, Professor Henrietta A. Bancroft, in memory of their parents. The success of the enterprise is largely due to the efforts and liberality of Mrs. Anna Kent and Mrs. Wilbur F. Day, aided by generous friends contributing money and furnishings.

At FORT SIMCOE, Washington, the mission for the Yakima Indians has been strengthened in its resources and influence by a grant of forty acres of fertile land. The tract is near the railroad station, which adds to its commercial value. The missionary at this point, Mrs. E. C. Miller, expects, by the culture of fruits and vegetables, cereals, etc., and good methods, to make it a model farm, and thus provide a valuable and much-needed object-lesson for the people. The grant is a part of the tract of one hundred and sixty acres assigned by the Government to the Columbia River Conference for missionary purposes.

The PHILADELPHIA DEACONESS HOME, through the liberality of Colonel Joseph Bennett, has completed additions and changes that double the capacity and usefulness of the institution.

BENNETT ACADEMY AND INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL, Clarkson, Mississippi. We have for several years maintained at this place an Industrial Home for girls, in connection with Woodland Academy. This is a preparatory school of advanced grade, and is the only one of its class available for the education of the youth of this section of the country. The Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society, finding it difficult for lack of means

to suitably provide for it, granted to our Society a lease of the property for a term of ninety-nine years, for an annual rental of one dollar. The lease includes two hundred and fifty acres of land, largely in timber, which was purchased at a low price; also a two-story frame building, used for the school. Bennett Industrial Home, on the same campus, accommodates thirty girls. Dickson Hall, erected last year, accommodates sixteen, and bears the name of the generous donor of money for its erection, as a memorial to her son. Other buildings are available for our students. All are crowded; many students have this fall been denied admission for want of room, and additional accommodations are imperatively demanded.

This school is unique in character, and will carry out the plans of an Industrial School favored by its generous patron, Mrs. Ziba Bennett, whose gifts have largely sustained it in the past, and have enabled us to open the work under more favorable conditions this fall than ever before. Improved methods of farming will be introduced, and the land will be cultivated by young men attending the school, who may thus, in part, sustain themselves, and contribute to the support of the school.

By action of the Board of Trustees, the united enterprise will bear the name, "BENNETT ACADEMY AND INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL."

The LUCY WEBB HAYES TRAINING-SCHOOL, at Washington, D. C., has been enlarged by renting additional buildings to accommodate the increasing number of students. Woman will be called in rapidly-increasing numbers to the widely-extending home missionary fields, and she must be thoroughly educated for her work. This is the only national training-school under the jurisdiction of our Society, and it must take rank among the very best in the Nation. Good work in preparing women for missionary service is done in several of our Deaconess Homes, but under disadvantages that do not exist in an institution arranged in all its details with special reference to the preparation of missionaries for their glorious work. With our cities clamoring at the doors of our Training-school for deaconesses, and Conference Boards soliciting the aid of our Society to open Deaconess Homes, which we are unable to do for the want of trained workers, we have now the added claim of the countries where, through the chances and sacrifices of war, our flag has been unfurled. We rejoice to know that young women of character and culture in large numbers are offering themselves for this service. It seems as though the deaconess "had come to the kingdom for such an hour as this."

CONFERENCE MANAGERS.—We referred last year to the charter of the Training-school, which provides that there shall be a Manager in each Conference, nominated by the Conference Society, and elected by the General Board of Managers, and we desire to call attention to the importance of this office in its relation to the missionary service of the Society. The duty of the Training-school Conference Manager is to endeavor to promote an interest in the school throughout the Conference, secure funds for its support and for scholarships, and especially to

interest competent, cultured young women to prepare themselves for missionary service by a course of training in the school. The measure of success to be achieved by the Society will be determined by the character and culture of our missionaries.

DEACONESS HOMES HAVE BEEN OPENED DURING THE YEAR under the auspices of the Society at Denver, Col., Wichita, Kan., and Jersey City, N. J. Single deaconesses have been stationed at East Orange and Paterson, N. J., Glens Falls, N. Y., while steps are being taken to open Deaconess Homes at Indianapolis, Ind., and at several other places.

The Society has associated with it in the several Conferences twenty-nine Deaconess Homes and centers of work, nearly two hundred deaconesses are employed, and $240,751.79 invested in buildings.

The supervision, which can be provided for a connectional organization like the Woman's Home Missionary Society co-operating with the Conference Boards, is of great value in securing unity of action among the Homes. This, and the support given by the established Auxiliaries, are promotive of strength, efficiency, and permanency to the Homes so related, advantages which an entirely local organization can not easily provide.

MEDICAL MISSION AT BOSTON.—This mission, conducted under the auspices of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, was inaugurated by Professor Harrietta J. Cooke, a Christian educator of long experience and great ability. Years of successful work have demonstrated its value as a missionary agency. This mission in Boston is associated with the College Settlement, and is temporarily conducted on the first floor of an ordinary dwelling-house, which furnishes an office and reception-room, bath and store-rooms, and closets.

Dr. Howard Powers, of the Boston University, is Medical Director. Dr. J. Urich is a specialist for diseases of the skin, Dr. Allan Horr for the eye and ear. These, with the nurse, Miss Addie Wade, and the resident physician, Earnest Hoffses, comprise the medical staff. One morning every week each of the physicians meets his patients, rendering his services gratuitously. The patients, when able, pay a small fee, which is expended for medicines and supplies. During the year 1,653 patients have been treated at the office, many of them frequently. Dr. Hoffses is a medical student, and during the term he returns from the college at three P. M., visits and receives calls the balance of the day and evening. Within the year he has attended 758 different cases, and made 2,613 visits to patients in their homes. The nurse, Miss Wade, a graduate of the Massachusetts General Hospital, is in attendance during office hours, and in eight months made 922 visits to the sick, instructing the ignorant, caring for the suffering, providing comforts for the needy, but, best of all, carrying the blessed Christ with her to illumine the abodes of squalor and wretchedness with the light and love of heaven.

The hour of Clinic is improved by the missionaries in a service of song and prayer. The patients often crowd the reception-room, come

early, and generally remain until the close of the hour, thus attesting their interest in this feature of the work. Who can measure the influence of these strong Christian men and women upon those whom they thus befriend?

The entire cost of the mission last year, including $144 for room-rent, was only $1,059.70. We visited the mission during the year, and, from all that we could see and learn, can most cordially commend the enterprise, and recommend its introduction wherever practicable as a most valuable adjunct of the city mission or Deaconess Home.

STATISTICS OF MISSIONARY WORK.

The following table is prepared from the monthly reports of our missionaries to the General Office, and is as nearly correct as it is possible to make it from the data furnished. The most important features of the work, and influences set in operation in these missions, can not be fully represented by figures. Conditions of need differ widely in the several fields, and necessitate the employment of a great variety of agencies. Each mission has important features peculiar to itself, which can not be presented in a table that, of necessity, includes only the more obvious and uniform elements of our mission work. Another year, with full reports in hand, improved tables, illustrative of our missions and the labors of the workers, may be furnished.

The difficulties met in the attempt to tabulate such a report are illustrated by examples. The Medical Mission in East Boston is unique in character, having its clinic, a large number of patients who are treated at the office and in their homes, its trained nurses going from house to house, its supplies department, medical dispensary, and all co-operate with evangelistic and other helpful agencies. Glenn Home, also, in Cincinnati, with its Mothers' Meetings, its industrial and literary clubs for working girls, its reading-room and technical school for boys, Sabbath-school, temperance, Home Missionary, and other meetings. Marcy Home, in Chicago, likewise deals with Bohemians and other foreign elements of population. Our mission in behalf of Italians in New Orleans must employ methods adapted to meet the needs of this people in a climate and under circumstances widely different from those found in our mission in Alaska. The Children's Homes at York, Tivoli, and Urbana demand another kind of agencies. Our immigrant work deals with conditions, and meets wants that are found only where foreigners, landing in a strange country, ignorant and bewildered, need a helping hand to guide them in safety and comfort. Our missions and schools among Indians and Mormons have their peculiar needs, while the work provided for by our two hundred deaconesses in our thirty Deaconess Homes and stations is adapted to meet the needs of each respective locality.

For tabulated statement of the work of these Homes and stations, see the report of the Secretary of the Bureau for Deaconesses.

REPORTS FROM MISSIONS.

(For Deaconess Work See Report, Page 121.)

MISSIONS AND SCHOOLS.	Amount of Self-help—Students' Tuition, and Special Gifts,	No. Missionaries employed,	No. Days of Service given,	No. Steamers met,	No. Lodgings provided,	No. Meals furnished,	No. Women aided,	No. Children aided,	No. Men aided,	No. Protestants aided,	No. Catholics aided,	No. Nations represented,	No. Situations secured,	No. Tracts, Papers, and Bibles distributed,	No. Letters and Postals written,	No. Telegrams sent,	No. Girls sent to Friends,	No. Calls on Sick and Needy,	No. Camps and Homes visited	No. Lessons in Cleanliness,	No. Lessons in Laundry Work,	No. Lessons in Sewing and Mending,	No. Lessons in Cooking,	No. Lessons in the Care of the Sick and of Children,	No. Meetings conducted,	No. Persons seeking Religion	No. Converts,	No. Church Members,	No. attending Sunday-school	No. attending Day School,	No. Lessons in Dyeing Yarn,	No. supplied with Medicine,	No. Persons aided,	No. Garments distributed,	No. Persons seeking Aid at Mission,
For Poncas, Ponca, Ok. Ter.,	$100 00	1	200	....	.....	215	....	....	....	....	...	...	...	499	.....	...	...	.....	247	170	.....	212	.....	214	186	23	22	107	227	...	...	.....	176	226	280
For Yakimas, Fort Simcoe, Wash.,	.....	1	300	....	.....	100	....	....	....	....	...	...	...	.....	.....	...	...	.....	175	100	40	150	75	124	200	.....	...	.....	.....	...	...	100	200	.....	75
For Navajoes, Jewett, New Mex.,	.....	2	700	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	...	...	...	.....	.....	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	43	...	.....	.....	.....	.....
For Osages and others, Pawhuska, Ok. Ter.,	175 00	1	240	....	.....	.....	....	*	....	....	...	...	...	.....	.....	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....
For Pawnees, Pawnee, Ok. Ter.,	100 00	1	300	.....	.....	176	....	....	....	....	...	...	...	500	.....	...	...	.....	343	310	174	295	103	296	41	268	50	50	103	...	...	53	124	.....	76
For Diggers and others Ukiah, Cal.,	.....	1	365	....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	...	...	...	.....	.....	...	...	.....	215	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	78	450	10	64	460	25	...	164	140	325	320
For Miners and others, Mt. Carmel, Pa.,	.....	1	300	....	.....	.....	74	222	73	....	...	...	...	1199	72	...	2	945	....	102	.....	.....	.....	.....	208	.....	12	.....	46	...	...	.....	370	182	53
For Immigrants, East Boston, Mass.,	452 22	2	720	54	2558	10823	338	60	159	487	73	11	29	4749	486	15	48	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...	.....	561	.....	.....
For Immigrants, New York, N. Y.,	1,155 13	2	720	808	3004	9636	165	23	.....	186	3	12	39	.....	541	54	94	38	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...	.....	413	.....	.....
For Immigrants, Philadelphia, Pa.,	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...	2	1124	16	49	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...	.....	144	.....	.....
Medical Mission, East Boston, Mass.,	1,059 70	6	1200	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...	...	.....	.....	...	6	4638	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...	.....	5693	.....	.....

* Average Attendance of Children in School, 50.

"MODEL HOMES" are associated with the colleges, provided for by the Church, and furnish instruction in the arts of home-making. The senior classes are assigned to the Home which prepares the students for missionary service among the people. INDUSTRIAL SCHOOLS provide also for literary instruction.

	Amount of Self-help, including Incidentals, Tuition, and Special Gifts	Number of Missionaries employed	Number of Days taught or Service given	Average number of Pupils boarding in the Home	Average Attendance in Day Schools	Average Attendance in Night School	Number of Lessons given in Cooking	Number of Pupils in Kindergartens	Number of Pupils in Kitchengartens	Number of Lessons in Plain Sewing	Number of Lessons in Dressmaking	Number of Lessons in Millinery Tailoring, and Buttonholing	Number of Lessons given in Painting and Embroidery	Number of Garments made and repaired by Pupils	Number of Bible Lessons given	Number of Visits made to the Sick and Needy	Number of S. S. and Other Services conducted by Missionaries	Lessons given in Music
INDUSTRIAL HOMES.																		
Simpson, Orangeburg, S. C.,	$607 00	2	420	20 3/4	.....	.....	626	.....	.....	1287	425	.....	.....	1430	215	.....	151	.....
Kent, Greensboro, N. C.,	205 20	1	340	12 3/4	.....	.....	454	.....	.....	869	266	.....	.....	158	256	93	127	.....
New Jersey, Morristown, Tenn.,	527 59	2	470	14	.....	.....	475	.....	.....	2237	284	.....	48	492	257	95	102	.....
Ritter, Athens, Tenn.,	1,134 93	2	510	54	.....	.....	2913	.....	.....	12193	2000	.....	80	672	275	89	143	.....
Elizabeth L. Rust, Holly Springs, Miss.,	731 35	2	418	19	.....	.....	591	.....	.....	2034	1027	144	248	563	214	129	130	.....
Adeline Smith, Little Rock, Ark.,	925 00	2	440	23	.....	.....	773	.....	.....	1873	.....	.....	.....	277	209	33	210	.....
King, Marshall, Texas,	1,350 54	2	450	27	.....	.....	3109	.....	.....	5912	2466	.....	3792	923	262	67	145	.....
Thayer, Atlanta, Ga.,	950 25	2	480	22 3/4	.....	.....	2109	.....	.....	7691	904	.....	.....	.....	211	.....	.....	.....
INDUSTRIAL SCHOOLS & MISSIONS.																		
Gilbert Haven, Savannah, Ga.,	1,044 50	5	1100	27 4/11	163 3/11	13 9/37	1003	.....	.....	2473	.....	.....	.....	468	457	302	390	.....
Mary Haven, Isle of Hope, Ga.,	56 50	1	240	5	41 3/4	.....	220	.....	556	438	.....	.....	.....	75	151	133	68	.....
Boylan, Jacksonville, Fla.,	1,708 50	6	1440	33 5/8	232 1/4	27 1/4	749	.....	.....	1277	388	.....	1812	319	252	556	196	.....
Emerson, Ocala, Fla.,	638 49	2	470	17	42 1/4	.....	281	.....	.....	139	.....	.....	.....	175	325	218	185	.....
Allen, Asheville, N. C.,	265 42	3	720	.....	81 1/2	.....	12	.....	.....	206	.....	.....	.....	42	423	35	134	470
Browning, Camden, S. C.,	999 30	4	960	22 3/4	149	.....	1123	.....	.....	2452	.....	.....	.....	247	398	201	126	61
Bennett Academy and Industrial Home, Clarkson, Miss.,	685 58	4	960	25 1/3	124	.....	520	.....	.....	613	240	.....	.....	261	462	14	247	260
Mission for Italians, New Orleans, La.,	96 00	2	251	4	20	35	.....	.....	.....	517	.....	.....	.....	55	.....	.....	.....	.....
Harwood, Albuquerque, New Mex.,	308 60	2	700	28 5/8	16	.....	770	.....	.....	640	381	54	.....	49	233	162	125	.....
For Apaches and others, Dulce, New Mex.,	349 50	42	1150	22 3/4	49 1/4	.....	544	.....	.....	739	.....	.....	.....	191	379	418	63	.....
Mission School, Las Vegas, New Mex.,	87 00	1	300	.....	64 3/4	.....	.....	.....	.....	2905	.....	.....	.....	130	270	17	106	.....
Mission School, Las Cruces, New Mex.,	56 00	1	300	.....	45	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	663*	198	236	1103	210†
Stickney, Lynden, Wash.,	.....	2	600	16 3/4	16	.....	340	.....	.....	175	28	40	.....	23	304	79	452	.....
Mothers' Jewels Home, York, Neb.,	1,425 22	5	1825	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Watts de Peyster, Tivoli, N. Y.,	1,033 31	4	1460	55	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Glenn Industrial Home, Cincinnati, O.,	1,930 09	10	1925	.....	.....	75	150	554	30	2245	127	100	.....	4750	564	5592	420	120
For Cubans and others, Key West, Fla.,	.....	2	400	.....	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	100	.....	.....	.....	.....	140	200	175	.....
For Osages and others, Pawhuska, Ok Ter.,	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
For Aleuts and others, Unalaska, Alaska,	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Children's Home, Urbana, Ill.,	1,004 72	2	.....	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
For Japanese and others, San Francisco, Cal.,	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mission for Chinese, San Francisco, Cal.,	.....	2	600	20	30	.....	365	.....	.....	500	.....	.....	.....	.....	400	.....	150	.....

* Garments distributed. † Bibles and leaf-clusters distributed. Leaflets, 1035.

NEW FIELDS.

HAWAII will undoubtedly be annexed at an early date to the United States. Conditions of need exist there which strongly appeal to Christian women, and we recommend an appropriation for the support of a medical missionary, a trained nurse-deaconess, and a Japanese Bible-reader, the work to be commenced as soon as Governmental relations are established and the necessary fund secured.

PORTO RICO, also, will come under the control of our Government. Being near, a mission can be established here with the necessary supervision and supplies, and we solicit the approval of this Board for the raising of a special fund for the organization of deaconess work at some feasible point on the island, where it may co-operate with and aid in the establishment and mission of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

In the PHILIPPINES it seems equally important that our Society should accompany our flag and the agents of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and establish deaconess work there as soon as the required funds can be obtained.

CUBA, and possibly other islands, in the near future may come into such relations to our Government as will make them home missionary fields, and place upon us obligations and duties in their behalf. Wherever our flag, emblem of "liberty and humanity," may float, unless we greatly misinterpret the handwriting of God in the events of the late war, there should be found the Woman's Home Missionary Society vigorously prosecuting its Christlike work.

KEY WEST.—During the last year the Society has contributed to the support of two missions in behalf of the suffering and neglected Cuban and Spanish population gathered there, many of them refugees from Spanish tyranny. This point furnishes good vantage-ground for extending missions in Cuba. There are thousands on the island ready to accept the teachings of the Christian religion, and who, converted, may successfully carry the Word to their people at home.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA.—An earnest appeal for aid comes to us in behalf of the Spanish-American population of this section. These are citizens of our country, clothed with the rights of citizenship, and unless they are given Christian education, they will continue a menace to our civilization.

CITIES. with their Sabbath desecration, their unassimilated foreign populations, saloons, extremes of poverty and wretchedness, their anarchistic and other dangerous associations, present an alarming combination of claims that the Society can not neglect or treat with indifference. A few workers are struggling against the great swelling tide of iniquity, which threatens to destroy all that is lovely and of good report among us. We should not be content with a single Deaconess Home in a large city, where the needs of the field demand that there should be a score of these fountains of healing influence.

Tecumseh, Mich.; Mrs. E. B. Green, Rochester, N. Y.; Mrs. B. S. Potter, Bloomington, Ill.; Mrs. C. W. Gallagher, Auburndale, Mass.

The Committee was indorsed, and, by vote, appointed.

Mrs. Rust moved that an expression of sympathy be sent from this Convention to Mrs. M. R. Crawford, Williamsport, Pa., one of our valued workers, who is detained by personal illness.

Carried, and Mrs. Rust invited to send the communication.

The doxology was sung, and, on motion, the Convention adjourned until 7.30 P. M.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.

THE final session began at 7.30 o'clock, with the faithful President, Mrs. Fisk, in the chair. Hymn 117 was sung, and Mrs. F. L. Parker, of Finland, led in earnest prayer for God's blessing upon this land of many peoples and tongues, and for the spread of gospel light in all lands, after which three stanzas of the first hymn were sung.

The Minutes of the afternoon session were read by Mrs. Green and Mrs. Potter, corrected, and adopted.

Mrs. Walter S. Thompson sang, to the great delight of the audience, a beautiful solo.

The report of the Bureau for Mississippi, in the absence of the Secretary, Mrs. Henry C. Hedges, was read by Mrs. Aiken.

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Pledges were made as follows: Illinois Conference, $100; Iowa, $5; Indiana, $5; North Indiana, $10; New York, $10; Mrs. E. A. S. Barkelew, $10.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. D. L. Williams, Chairman, submitted the report for Ritter Home.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

On motion of Mrs. Williams, the question of a map, representing the location and character of our work in different parts of the country, was referred to Miss Van Marter.

Mrs. I. D. Jones offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That we diligently heed the request of Miss Van Marter, Chairman of the Committee on Leaflets, to secure from our Auxiliaries, Circles, and Bands twenty-five cents each to sustain the Leaflet Fund.

The following Conferences were represented by their respective Corresponding Secretaries or substitutes:

Maine, by Mrs. H. C. Beedy; Indiana, by Mrs. A. V. P. Adams; Pittsburg, by Mrs. M. J. Schoyer; Troy, by Mrs. E. W. Simpson; Northern New York, by Mrs. I. L. Hunt; California, by Mrs. L. P. Williams; Northwest Iowa, by Mrs. J. P. Negus; and Ohio, by Mrs. E. L. Albright.

By vote, these inspiring reports were adopted. (See Reports.)

Mrs. E. L. Albright offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That a letter of warmest sympathy be sent by the Recording Secretary, Mrs. Aiken, to Mrs. D. L. Kellicott, on account of the death of her husband, Professor Kellicott, a true friend of the Society.

Mrs. Aiken, for Miss Evans, the publisher of our official organ, presented the request that the following ladies constitute a Committee on Advertisements for *Woman's Home Missions:* Mrs. F. W. Ainsworth, Boston; Mrs. M. T. Carey, Mrs. George H. Thompson, Cincinnati; Mrs. J. B. Robinson, Detroit; Mrs. Mary Fisk Park, New York; Mrs. F. A. Arter, Cleveland; Mrs. J. A. Lantry, Brooklyn; Mrs. D. A. Minard, Buffalo; Mrs. A. V. P. Adams, Shelbyville, Ind.; Mrs. M. J. Schoyer, Allegheny, Pa.; Mrs. —— Murphy, Malden, Mass.; Mrs. Levi Master, Jackson, Mich.; Mrs. M. H. Davis, Toledo, O.; Mrs. W. B. Pope,

Tecumseh, Mich.; Mrs. E. B. Green, Rochester, N. Y.; Mrs. B. S. Potter, Bloomington, Ill.; Mrs. C. W. Gallagher, Auburndale, Mass.

The Committee was indorsed, and, by vote, appointed.

Mrs. Rust moved that an expression of sympathy be sent from this Convention to Mrs. M. R. Crawford, Williamsport, Pa., one of our valued workers, who is detained by personal illness.

Carried, and Mrs. Rust invited to send the communication.

The doxology was sung, and, on motion, the Convention adjourned until 7.30 P. M.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.

THE final session began at 7.30 o'clock, with the faithful President, Mrs. Fisk, in the chair. Hymn 117 was sung, and Mrs. F. L. Parker, of Finland, led in earnest prayer for God's blessing upon this land of many peoples and tongues, and for the spread of gospel light in all lands, after which three stanzas of the first hymn were sung.

The Minutes of the afternoon session were read by Mrs. Green and Mrs. Potter, corrected, and adopted.

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On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

In the absence of Mrs. J. L. Trisler, Secretary of the Bureau for Lectures and Home Missionary Reading Circle, Mrs. Aiken presented the report. The banner was again awarded to the Baltimore Conference.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

The reports of General Organizers Mrs. B. S. Potter and Mrs. C. W. Gallagher were presented, and, on motion, adopted. (See Reports.)

Mrs. Fisk, with much pleasure, reported the generous gifts from the ladies of the Churches in Minneapolis to Miss Moore, our missionary to the Apaches.

Mrs. Williams announced a kind contribution of money to the Treasury by the brethren of Wesley Church.

One stanza of "Come, thou Fount of every blessing," was sung.

The reports of Conferences without representation in this Conven-

burden of another collection; individual contributions are unreliable, as *where the institution is not so related as to claim the help of the Auxiliaries of the Woman's Home Missionary Society*, it has been found necessary to organize Deaconess Aid Societies. When this relation exists, the funds collected in the name of the Society for this object are reported through its treasurer, and it is provided that the Conference Woman's Home Missionary Society shall be represented in the local Board of Management; but this Board, and the Homes so affiliated, are under the same Disciplinary and ecclesiastical control as are the Independent Homes.

THE LAW OF OUR CHURCH on this subject is contained in the paragraphs of the Discipline, 205 to 213. *All* Methodist deaconesses and Homes are alike under the "general control" of the Annual Conference, through its *Deaconess Board*. *All* Deaconess Homes, whatever their affiliation for economical purposes, are managed by local Boards, elected by the local patrons of the work, the property is held by the local Board, and the funds used in their support are secured in the locality or within the bounds of the patronizing Conference. *All* deaconesses must alike pass the prescribed probation and examination, must be nominated by a Quarterly Conference or the institution where trained, appointed by the Annual Conference, and must submit annually to its approval as a condition of continuing in the work. It is definitely provided that "No Home shall be recognized as a Methodist Deaconess Home until it be authorized by the Conference Board and approved by the Annual Conference, and shall conform to the regulations of this chapter."

THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE has control, through its Deaconess Board, of all the interests of deaconess work within its bounds. Methodist membership being everywhere included in Conferences, it is evident that the "General Church," which has no authority except through the *General Conference*, nor organization to administer the Home, can have no responsibility for or duty towards deaconesses, either individually or collectively, because with whatever organization affiliated the individual deaconess or Home belongs to the individual Conference. The Bishops are the only general agents of the "Church" who can exercise any control in this matter, they having been assigned the duty "to provide a course of study for deaconesses."

It is evident, since all Deaconess Homes and deaconesses, by the provisions of the Discipline, have the same relation to the Conference, and no Home or deaconess can have any relation to the "Church" except through the Annual Conference, that it is not only incorrect, but misleading as to the facts in the case, to say that an Independent Home is "Under the Church," or "the General Church," and a Home which receives support from an organization of the Church is "under the Woman's Home Missionary Society," because it is implied that the independent work is supported or supervised by, and sustains a peculiar relation to, the great Methodist Church, that is not enjoyed by those connected with the Woman's Home Missionary Society, which is not true.

RELATIVE ADVANTAGES enjoyed by the "Home Missionary" or affiliated Homes. There are two points of difference between the Independent and the Woman's Home Missionary Society Homes. The former depend for assistance upon a local Deaconess Aid Society, whenever it is practicable to organize another woman's society, while the latter have the support of the Auxiliaries of the permanent connectional organization. The Woman's Home Missionary Society Homes have this advantage, that in its connectional capacity the Society can furnish a general supervising agency and medium of communication between the Homes, for their mutual advantage, which is not possessed by the Independent Homes. This relation to an approved general organization of the Church *constitutes a strong bond of union with it, and a relationship of such Homes to the entire Church, that is not enjoyed by the Independent Homes.*

Since Deaconess Homes and deaconesses all exist under the same law, and hold the same relation to the Church, the General Conference having recognized the right and privilege of individuals and organizations to enter upon and prosecute this good work, it is fitting that every agency engaged in it should be welcomed and encouraged, and great care should be taken by all not to encroach or cast a shadow upon each other's work, or claim successes belonging to another.

CENTERS OF WORK.—Under the present arrangement, each Conference has the control of its own institutions and work, and they are coordinate in authority. Properly speaking, there can be no general "center" of deaconess work, including the work of the various Conferences engaged in it. Chicago or Washington can no more appropriately claim to be "the center," than Cincinnati Conference or Detroit, or any other where provision is made for deaconess work.

RETROSPECTION.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church celebrates its eighteenth anniversary, a period of great significance to our sex, which should inaugurate for the Society an era of greater effort and usefulness. Organized at Cincinnati, Ohio, in 1880, the first meeting of its Board of Managers was held in that city October, 1882, two years after its organization.

The earlier years of its history were characterized by struggle and sacrifice, as well as by glorious triumphs and achievements. The Church, so absorbed in sustaining existing benevolences, did not give a hearty welcome to an additional claimant for its sympathy and support. Our little band of Christian women, without experience in general Church work, felt impelled by the Holy Spirit to enter upon this mission work in behalf of our own country. We now appreciate more fully the difficulties that were to be encountered. Could we have anticipated all the obstacles that we have been compelled to meet, it would have been a great trial to our faith, and might have delayed this important movement.

It was found necessary to obtain the consent of the Annual Conference before forming Auxiliaries within its bounds. The Corresponding Secretary, in this interest, visited forty-eight Conferences during the first four years, some of them several times. In 1884 the Woman's Home

Missionary Society was received by the General Conference into full connection with the sisterhood of benevolent organizations, and authorized to prosecute its work. At this time 712 Auxiliaries had been formed in 54 Conferences, with 16,500 members, and the work was successfully inaugurated in the Southern and Western frontiers, with 21 missionaries in the field. That year, 1884, the Society raised, in cash, $17,039.70, and sent supplies to 512 ministers' families, the estimated value of which was $7,869.97, and *Woman's Home Missions*, the organ of the Society, had reached a circulation of 6,000.

In retrospecting the work of eighteen years, we are now able to report 79 Conference Societies, with 2,600 organizations and 73,212 members. We have 100 distinct missions, and more than 300 missionaries and deaconesses doing most excellent work for Christ and humanity. Over 2,000 girls are now under instruction, and more than 5,000 who have been instructed by our missionaries are doing good missionary work, either as teachers, missionaries, or wives of ministers, teachers, or citizens.

Our missions are among the colored and the white people in the Southland; among the Mormons, the Indians, the Spanish Americans of Mew Mexico, Arizona, and Southern California; the Chinese and Japanese, and the neglected foreign and other needy populations of our cities. Our school buildings and Mission Homes dot the land from Florida to Oregon, and in far-away Alaska. They are inexpensive structures, adapted to the needs of the work, and represent a property value of over half a million of dollars.

The Home mission field is divided into sections and departments of work, which include the several missions of the Society, and each section is placed in the care of a Committee, or Bureau. Seven of these are assigned to the Southern work, and have the oversight of the seventeen Industrial Homes and schools in that section. There is a Bureau for Missions in Utah, one for Indian and Frontier Work, and two in New Mexico and Arizona, one having charge of the Indian, and the other of the Spanish American work in these Territories. Another for Alaska, and still another for Immigrants, with its missions in our seaboard cities.

THE BUREAU FOR DEACONESS WORK has charge of twenty Homes, Hospitals, and Training-schools, ten stations, and the duty of stationing of deaconesses all over the United States. The Bureau for Local Mission Work has jurisdiction of the local missions not included in other Bureaus throughout the country. The Department of Young People's Work, the one for Lectures and Home Missionary Reading Circle, and another for the promotion of Systematic Beneficence, include work in every Conference, and are designed to reach the entire Church. The work of the Bureau for Orientals is principally on the Pacific Coast.

THE SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT in eighteen years has sent to our ministers and families on the frontiers goods which, at a low estimate, are valued at $804,547.60. These were included in 22,987 packages, worth, on an average, $35 each. Those who have read the grateful letters acknowledging the receipt of barrels of supplies may have some conception of the happiness and comfort given by such packages.

The Society in eighteen years has distributed not less than 90,000,000 pages of Home Missionary literature.

Woman's Home Missions, the organ of the Society, was established in 1883. It has always been self-supporting, and has steadily grown in interest and influence. Mrs. H. C. McCabe has been its editor from the beginning. Mrs. S. W. Thompson served as Publisher three years, and was succeeded by Miss Mary Belle Evans. The paper has a circulation of over 16,500.

Children's Home Missions was established in 1894, and has a circulation of 8,000. It is edited by Miss Martha Van Marter.

The first enterprise of the Society was the erection of a large building for a Home and Boarding Department for the Salt Lake Seminary, at a cost of $6,000. The Society, in 1882, commenced in Utah the erection of inexpensive buildings, which have served as school-room, chapel, and a home for the missionary teachers. It has had thirteen of these missions in that Territory, and our work has been largely instrumental in the overthrow of the old conditions and the introduction of a public school system.

The Society at first sent misisonaries to visit the people in their homes, to gather the children into primary schools, and the women into Mothers' Meetings, where they were given instruction in the methods of housekeeping, the laws of sanitation, and the duties of the Christian religion.

Later, the Model Home was introduced, and our work took a more permanent form, associated with the high grade schools of the Church.

It has had in the field for eighteen years an average of 57 missionaries, making 1,026 years of missionary service provided for. Our deaconesses in the eight years since the work was inaugurated have made 940,000 visits to the sick and needy, this being only one item of their service.

The Society in 1892 had made pledges for the extension of the work, based upon its rapidly-increasing treasury. The financial depression of the last few years seriously affected receipts, and in order to keep its pledges and sustain the work a debt of about $48,000 was incurred. It is a subject for rejoicing that not a single missionary has been withdrawn from the field, our buildings are everywhere in good repair, the work has been extended in the frontiers by the erection of several of our most expensive buildings, and the work in cities has been increased during this period of financial stringency by the preparation and work of over 190 deaconesses, and Deaconess Homes to the value of $216,101.79, while the debt of $48,000 has been reduced to $17,000.

The total value of property held by the Society for mission purposes is $541,101.79; (Deaconess Homes held by local Boards in the name of the Society, $216,101.79; other missions and schools, $325,000.)

The total receipts of the Society during eighteen years are $2,385,804.89; cash, $1,581,257.29; supplies. $804,547.60.

STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

CONFERENCES.	No. Organizations	MEMBERSHIP.					Life-members	Honorary Managers	Honorary Patrons	Woman's Home Missions: No. Subscribers	Children's Home Missions
		Auxiliaries.	Mission Circles	Mission Bands	Mothers' Jewels	Home Mission Reading Circle.					
Atlanta											
Baltimore	67	2867	197			212	34	10	3	650	
California	38	635	80	10			12			177	
Central Alabama	1	13								5	
Central Illinois	9	128	79				1			41	
Central Missouri	3	43					1			4	
Central New York	99	1714	334	393	494	31	115	6	1	788	
Central Ohio	57	1159	184	30	103	33	129	10	6	306	
Central Pennsylvania	39	926	50	20	887	144	74	4		259	
Cincinnati	120	1515	309	298	1518	92	379	38	16	522	
Colorado	34	654	16	15	176	50	47	2		138	
Columbia River	5	64					6				
Des Moines	19	260					7			78	
Detroit	119	2495	81	52	258	15	255	35		652	
East Maine	4	29									
East Ohio	74	1376	232	92	325	2	126	10	2	408	
East Tennessee	15	149								18	
Erie	77	1353	118	32	229	21	120	3		522	
Florida	9	59	23				15				
Genesee	69	1576	127	78	98	221	111	6	14	629	
Holston	6	95	35	22			1	1		2	
Idaho	5	7	10								
Illinois	33	401	10	30			20	27		161	
Indiana	46	1082	56	94	159	16	141	3		244	
Iowa	41	607	62	174			11	1		257	
Kansas	17	323		85	10	52	26			111	
Kentucky	3	13					1	1	1	10	
Lexington	2	30								10	
Little Rock	1	15					2			3	
Louisiana	33	407	46		30	5				27	
Maine	26	447	4			10	21			117	
Michigan	60	1237	83	32			113			431	
Minnesota and North. Minnesota	21	395			99		44			215	
Missouri	12	96	15							13	
Nebraska	20	361			18		28			71	

Newark	61	1460	152	215	458	63	106	5	.....	374	.....
New England	98	1988	140	67	540	78	259	31	13	736	.....
New England Southern	42	820	135	40	31	15	58	16	.....	320	.....
New Hampshire	33	580	38	11	312	.....	12	4	.....	181	.....
New Jersey	55	1406	196	92	303	99	35	3	.....	285	.....
New Mexico Mission	2	67	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....
New York	32	999	62	.....	.....	.....	12	7	.....	209	.....
New York East	24	695	43	.....	.....	196	15	3	.....	196	.....
North Indiana	53	1231	153	232	235	15	45	2	4	340	.....
North Nebraska	18	288	24	52	134	22	2	.....	.....	86	.....
North Ohio	54	1203	21	2	153	9	201	.....	.....	413	.....
Northern New York	71	1227	269	160	223	65	32	5	.....	375	.....
Northwest Indiana	39	593	37	104	75	.....	15	.....	.....	128	.....
Northwest Iowa	90	1484	60	149	160	65	56	4	.....	500	.....
Northwest Kansas	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....
Northwest Nebraska	5	75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ohio	44	1025	51	106	301	66	250	10	1	422	.....
Oklahoma	2	55	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Oregon	16	184	.....	.....	.....	.....	47	2	.....	43	.....
Philadelphia	40	1149	218	.....	49	18	163	36	5	451	.....
Pittsburg	57	1248	144	131	94	.....	81	5	1	388	.....
Puget Sound	27	250	15	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	80	.....
Rock River	48	1140	.....	.....	.....	.....	126	35	11	303	.....
St. Louis	5	100	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....
South Kansas	5	86	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	.....	.....	14	.....
Southern California	104	1202	373	482	166	11	35	.....	3	261	.....
Southern Illinois	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Southwest Kansas	21	408	.....	.....	.....	23	51	.....	.....	152	.....
Tennessee	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Texas	2	42	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	8	.....
Troy	69	1485	142	285	.....	60	117	14	4	682	.....
Upper Iowa	72	1497	26	99	89	96	219	14	3	632	.....
Upper Mississippi	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Utah Mission	5	176	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	24	.....
Vermont	33	400	38	43	.....	.....	43	6	.....	135	.....
Virginia	3	57	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	6	.....
Washington	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
West Nebraska	5	71	.....	.....	.....	.....	7	.....	.....	8	.....
West Texas	21	262	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	11	.....
West Virginia	1	11	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
West Wisconsin	22	394	.....	44	6	.....	34	.....	.....	82	.....
Wilmington	42	658	109	289	259	.....	9	5	.....	185	.....
Wisconsin	17	196	10	60	21	.....	1	.....	.....	111	.....
Wyoming	50	893	93	152	371	43	121	6	.....	331	.....
Totals	2572	49536	4700	4307	8384	1846	4010	378	88	15341	7750

ANNUAL ADDRESS

BEFORE THE GENERAL BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY, OCTOBER 23, 1898.

By Mrs. William Christie Herron.

WHEN the first anniversary of this Society was held, seventeen years ago, the speaker who gave the address said, "In this era of great subjects, of which so many are continually pressing upon our attention, the speaker of moderate powers is to be congratulated that, while lacking the ability of the masters of speech, he is called upon to plead causes so great that their merest outline is impressive, matters so vast that an unadorned sketch of their proportion arrests and commands attention."

That one who had this opportunity is to be envied. How easy the task, how inspiring the theme! But when we remember that this theme has been handled so often and so well, that the outlines have been filled in so masterly a manner by those who have from time to time presented the subject, that the sketch has been so beautifully adorned, it is small wonder that one hesitates to undertake the task.

As I have glanced over the volumes of our Annual Report during these past weeks, and read with deepening interest the history of this Society from its beginning, the plans and hopes—yes, and discouragements of its founders, though these are rarely mentioned, the prophesies of wise leaders in the Church, and their more than fulfillment, I have wished that I might cull from its pages, here and there, and give to you as I found it matter far more interesting than I can present to you to-night.

Last year, your hearts were stirred as you listened to the description of the magnitude of our country and of its vast resources, of its wonderful destiny as a leader among nations; the thought was impressed upon you that our country is a great mission-field, not only for those in the homeland, but for the foreigner who is constantly coming to our shores.

Since these words were uttered, our country has passed through great experiences; she has stepped forth from her isolation; she has listened to the voice of God as truly as did Israel of old; she has heeded the cry of the oppressed, and gone forth in the cause of humanity to battle for the right against cruelty and oppression—the first time in the history of nations where such unselfishness and magnanimity have been displayed.

Our country has been led through these experiences to a position

among nations, which has greatly enlarged her influence and responsibility. She has become a united country through the cementing together of the hearts of all the people "in endearing friendship and undying love." Says a distinguished statesman: "These men who died may not have known, but you and I know, that the roar of their battles was but the echo of God's footsteps, marching on. I am deeply impressed with the thought that this great Western Hemisphere of ours is under the especial guidance of God's great plan, that we, as a people, are struggling onward and upward to the fulfillment of a great purpose."

Is not the mission of the Woman's Home Missionary Society revealed in its importance and greatness by our recent war? Is not every woman's heart filled with enthusiasm and determination that our country must fulfill its destiny, and that this organization must do its part toward that fulfillment?

It must be our duty to put forth renewed efforts to carry on the work already under our charge, and also to carry to the newly-acquired territory, where ignorance, sin, superstition, and sorrow abound, the blessings of a better and a truer life.

Early in the history of the Society, Bishop Fowler wrote these words to its founders: "There are a million homes in the South among the colored people, and twice as many among the poor whites of the South, that need some one to enter with new ideas and new spirit, that they may be elevated into Christian homes. This work, gentle ladies, lies at your feet. There are families of missionaries on the frontier and among the pioneers that could be blessed with many comforts, were an efficient agency at work in the field. There is a sad voice from the broken-hearted women of Utah that has already penetrated the ear of God, and must soon reach the heart of the Christian women of the land. This work is seeking somebody's feet, where it may fall and plead. I see no reason why this angel of benevolence, so full of sympathy, energy, and ability, and so earnestly seeking something to do, may not find enough to justify and insure usefulness in these great fields, so wide, so vast, and so necessitous."

Not many months ago the Society celebrated its eighteenth birthday. It is no longer a child; it has reached its majority. May we not question it to-night as to what it has accomplished and what are its plans for the future? Is it keeping up with the marvelous development of the times? Is it an influential factor in the world's work of to-day in the bringing about the Kingdom of Righteousness?

When Emerson was asked to define the word "Civilization," he answered, "It is the power of good women."

During the last quarter of a century more organizations have been started with the definitive term "Woman's" prefixed to them than during the world's history before. We can not enumerate them; but no one can fail to observe the great force which is so powerfully affecting the closing years of the nineteenth century, and which bids fair to be even

more powerful in the twentieth century—the great power which women are exerting through organization, and the direction in which this power is used.

It is a very significant fact that, as women's clubs have sprung up all over the land, the object of which, primarily, was self-improvement or amusement, the tendency has been constantly toward the broader field which includes the study of those subjects which are helpful to humanity. The consciousness of women has awakened toward those conditions which indicate the need of social regeneration.

The idea has forced itself upon them that, if they would lead fruitful and blessed lives, they must live with the life of their times; they must live with their generation, or they will not truly live at all.

"The introduction of the feminine element into the world, and more especially the world of moral reform," says one writer, "involves a new phase of civilization; it means that the forces of reform are to be strengthened and enlarged to an enormous extent. The half of the race, which of old has been counted out of the race in such movements, is now to be counted in. It looks, therefore, as if we were entering upon a new stage of civilization, in which the feminine influence will be powerful everywhere; and with it will come a higher moral tone, a keener and more sensitive moral sentiment, and a profounder and more pervasive sense of moral obligation."

Women have learned that, to have fitness for this undertaking, they must be trained in self-control, honesty of purpose, careful judgment, and well-considered methods. Nothing but the highest development of character will meet the situation. They have learned that every woman has an imperative duty toward humanity, and that time and opportunity for its fulfillment must be found; and in doing this she need in no way neglect the more important duties of home life.

The whole question of the home is being treated with scientific care and unsparing devotion. Women still believe—and to this all true hearts will respond—that to make the world a world of homes is the surest hope for the well-being of the people; and they readily respond to the sentiment that, unless the corner-stone of the Nation rests upon the home, it rests upon a false foundation. It has been truly said that "sociological problems outside of home may be studied forever; they will never be remedied until the social problem within the home is settled."

The thought is constantly growing that, when the subject of home and child training employs the best intelligence of each mother, there will be less necessity for conferences to consider prison reform, social purity, or the thousand and one other moral agencies for the betterment of mankind. Every question that faces the American people to-day has its root in the home; and when every home in this country is what it should be, there will be no need for a campaign of reform.

The statement is often made that the Church is not meeting her

obligation in solving the social problems that confront her; that this is being done by other organizations which are composed largely of Church-members who are interested in the absorbing social and economic problems of the day. But let us, for a little while, consider what this, "our apostle" of the Church is doing toward solving these great problems. The significance of the name of this Society, "The Woman's Home Missionary Society," with the word "Home" always emphasized, will suggest to you that it is an organization which aims to help the homes of the people. It has peculiar claims upon all who believe that home is the first and mightiest of all agencies for hastening the coming of the Kingdom on the earth.

This Society began its work in the South by the establishment of model homes. Life in the cabins of the freedmen, and in the hovels of the poor whites, was found to be barren of all the elevating and refining influences of the true home—homes with neither floors, windows, nor any of the conveniences of the civilized life. The aim was to bring them under the influence of something like a true home, to give them a just conception of its Christian order, grace, and comfort, as it may be managed on a scale of a family of limited means; and so the Model Home was built—a pretty cottage with convenient apartments, kitchen, dining-room, sewing-room, bedroom, and parlor, tastefully and economically furnished, that it might be a model for the girls. As this organization stands for the home, it stands for patriotism of the highest order, for temperance, and for the uplifting of the poor and destitute.

To indicate what the Society has accomplished on these lines, your attention needs only to be called to the number of homes in the South where neatness, order, and economy are found, and where the home has been transformed from the one-room cabin to the house of several rooms; and from far-off Alaska, where our work has been carried, comes the report that two of the girls from the Jesse Lee Home have been married, and their housekeeping is so superior to that about them that it proves an object-lesson to all who come under its influence.

One of the most important factors in the education of the nineteenth century is industrial training. Paley says of education that, "In the most extensive sense of the word, it may comprehend every preparation made in our youth for the sequel of our lives." We hear much of the new education. What is the new education? And what was the old? We find, if we go back to the Middle Ages and trace the growth of the idea to the present time, that the seven liberal arts of the Middle Ages, consisting of grammar, rhetoric, and logic, arithmetic, geometry, astronomy, and music, constituted education in a very limited sense of the word.

A great change came with the Renaissance, with the rediscovery of beauty, of artistic form, and the moving power of Greek and Latin writers. With the multiplication of the works of these classical writers by means of printing, the inspiration to the men of the Renaissance themselves was so great that, to them, education came to mean the power

to read the Greek and Latin writers in the original, so that not only the thoughts of such writers, but the transcendent beauty of the style that clothed the thought might enlighten and humanize the student. The curriculum of study was thus fixed for three centuries; indeed, until the present time.

The first great apostle of the new education was Locke, who taught that true knowledge is the internal perception of the intellect; that mere learning is but one of four main ends of education, which molds, forms, or models the soul or mind. Rousseau, with him, believes that the end of education is the development of the complete human being. Pestalozzi and Froebel were of the same opinion. These three men did most to make this new education a living force. In later years, Herbert Spencer has attracted attention as the apostle of a new education, claiming that a new educational growth must come through the pursuit of scientific study rather than through the traditional Latin and Greek. He declares that new conditions are forcing new methods upon us. These must come if education is to be democratic, for the classics do not appeal to the large mass of the people. And so the new education embraces the thought, "learning by doing."

The fact that a large number of public and private schools are not considered complete without a department of industrial training, and that there are many schools throughout our land which are devoted to this kind of training, attest the truth of this idea that industrial training has become an important factor in the educational problem.

From a recent writer in Appleton's *Science Monthly* we quote the following: "Clearly, too, we shall continue at an ethical as well as a commercial disadvantage unless we replace the handicrafts of the primitive women, and build up the industrial arts—the all-important, ever-dignified, and beautiful pursuits of cooking and sewing, cleaning and repairing, needlework and embroidery, and home decoration.

"The most unlovely homes in the world are the bare, untidy homes of our working population. The most wasteful housewife on earth is the thriftless American housewife. To reinstate the skilled industries, to weave in beauty with the life of the people, we must carry manual and technical training and applied arts to the point of action—as it were, down among the degraded, the belated, the neglected, the submerged, in the slums, where ignorance revels, crime festers, and decent poverty hides; we should found cooking, sewing, and housekeeping schools, with carpentry centers, wood-carving, brass-hammering, drawing, molding, and other creative pursuits that will fascinate the roughest street-girl, and transform the boy tough into an eager, industrious artisan."

To this feature of the work the Woman's Home Missionary Society has especially addressed itself; and our model homes have become industrial homes, where the girls are instructed in cooking, sewing, and the varied duties of practical housekeeping. They are taught the economical use of money, dressmaking, millinery, care of the sick, and are given instruction in hygiene and sanitation.

With the literary instruction received from the Freedmen's Aid schools, which most of the girls attend (and when this is not possible, instruction is provided in connection with the home), they are prepared for honorable fields of labor, or, what is better still, to preside over their own homes, made comfortable and happy by the training thus acquired.

This Society has also extended its influence on these lines in another direction. At Glenn Home, in Cincinnati, a few years ago, in addition to the missionary and evangelistic work, a department of domestic science was introduced. The object of the enterprise was the introduction of industrial training into the public schools of the city; and the effort resulted in the approval and support of instruction in cooking in the high schools by the city Board.

General Francis A. Walker once said, "America is suffering from two curses—indigestion and alcoholism; both due to one and the same cause—the inability of the women of the lower and middle classes to prepare wholesome and nourishing food." An eminent teacher gives this testimony, "If food, badly selected, more badly prepared, and most badly served, causes discontent, friction, and outbursts of bad temper among those who by ties of blood are near, and should be dear to one another; if, in consequence of this friction, what should be a home becomes a hell—is it astonishing that the neighboring saloon, the street-corner, the dance-hall with its attendant evils, offer attractive contrasts?" She strongly urges that instruction in cooking and food values be given in our schools, not only for pedagogic reasons, but that the sociological factor such instruction must necessarily produce be allowed its fullest weight; and she says, "Those who are trying to make the lamp of learning throw some of its light into the almost hopelessly dark spots, found in all large communities, feel they must place the purely utilitarian above the purely pedagogic."

The following incident, from the pen of Mrs. Rust, in the *Home Missions*, emphasizes these facts:

"A few days ago I met a friend who related to me an interview with a deaconess in one of our Eastern cities.

"The deaconess said that one morning, as she was passing through a quarter of the city occupied by very poor people, she heard loud and angry words in a humble dwelling. The husband had given the wife a piece of money with which to provide the dinner for the family, and she angrily told him that she could do nothing with twenty-five cents; that, unless he gave her more, he might go to the saloon or anywhere he chose for his dinner; he need not come home.

"The deaconess entered and learned these facts. She said to the wife that she would show her how to get a nice dinner for twenty-five cents, and invited the husband to come home at the dinner hour. She found the house in confusion, anything but a comfortable and inviting place for husband or children—dirt everywhere, unmade bed, under which had been thrown tin cans and all sorts of rubbish.

"She purchased a ten-cent soup-bone, a head of cabbage, some carrots, a loaf of bread, apples, butter, pepper, salt, etc.—all for twenty-five cents. Returning, she assisted the woman in making her house clean and putting everything in good order. Soon the woman herself was encouraged by the savory odors of the simmering soup-bone to go forward with the work; and when the husband came home at noon, appearances had entirely changed. The table, for want of a cloth, was covered with a sheet of white paper, and appeared really elegant to the eyes of the husband, who was unaccustomed to cleanliness and order. The meal was enjoyed by the whole family; and the husband was, of course, greatly pleased, and every one happy.

"A few days after that, the deaconess was passing along the same street, when the husband approached her timidly, and said: 'See here, deaconess, we have had the best times at our house since you were there that we have had in a long while. Can't you teach my wife to make a puddin', or something like that, too?'

"The higher conception of the school as an institution for the upbuilding of character is now ready to reveal itself in the training of girls in the essentials of home-making. With that revelation will come true social progress."

The Woman's Home Missionary Society is to be congratulated that it has been successful in aiding in this good work; and it is well known that to introduce this instruction into the intermediate schools of Cincinnati, where it will be still more effective, is the cherished wish of some of its members. Would it not be well for the Society to endeavor to extend this work in other cities?

The activities of this latter part of the century center about the child. There is no object which seems to be better worthy of attention by the best-trained minds. The child is considered not so much for what it is as for what it is to be. "He is the unknown quantity that represents the future quality;" and so he has come to be the most important object to be considered in the home, the Church, and the State—not as the child, but as the future custodian of all that goes to make up life.

Some one has truly said, "Whatever we would do for our country we must do for its people; whatever we would do for its people must be done through and for its children."

By what process of education and development are they to be made valuable members of society? The answer comes from one well qualified to speak: "The foundations for national prosperity and perpetuity are to be laid deep down in our infant-schools. Kindergarten is the gate through which many a little outcast has re-entered Eden. Work with little children will always pay handsome dividends to the family, to the community, to the State, and to the world." When the old king demanded of the Spartans fifty of their children as hostages, they replied, "We would prefer to give you a hundred of our most distinguished men." This was but a fair testimony to the everlasting value of a child to any

commonwealth and to any age. A republic that expects to survive, and to increase in power and greatness, must see to it that she does not carry within her the seeds of her own dissolution. It remains forever true, of nations as of individuals, that ignorance and crime breed dissolution and death. "I believe with all my heart," says one of the foremost workers among children, "that the shortest cut to permanent victory in the great and glorious cause of temperance is through the training of very little children in ways of virtue, self-government, and self-control by the proper cultivation of the heart, as well as the head and hand, in the kindergarten. Only such schools as these, molding and shaping character by careful habit and training, will ever build up a vigorous, healthful, virtuous national life. Only such schools as these will make public institutions unnecessary."

Said a wealthy taxpayer, as he paid his monthly subscription to the kindergarten, "This work among the children is the best that can be done. I give this most gladly; I consider it an investment for my children; I would rather give five dollars a month to educate these children than to have my own taxed ten times that amount, by and by, to sustain prisons and penitentiaries."

A marked feature of the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society is kindergarten-training. It reaches out after the children of poverty and of want. With all of the thought and study brought to bear upon the subject, the homes of the very poor grow more and more unattractive, depressing, and disheartening to the occupants. Is not the prophecy to be fulfilled that "a little child shall lead them?" that the children trained in the kindergarten shall carry back to those darkened abodes some of the light and sweetness which have been put into their lives? For a time this ray of light may only intensify the darkness; but it will awaken in the parents the longing for more, and the longing, once created and recognized, they will surely seek to satisfy.

The value to society of that increasing host of children brought up under kindergarten influence is incalculable. Only those who are familiar with the conditions under which most children of the tenements are obliged to live and develop can appreciate the physical and moral value of the healthful, cheerful environment of the kindergarten. We believe that these schools for the little ones is one of the most promising features of the work.

The care of dependent children is a subject which is occupying the attention of many philanthropical people at the present time. It is one of the most healthful elements of both public and private charity, and one which has experienced the most radical and rapid changes of administration during the last few years.

The question, whether the best interest of the child is served by keeping it in an institution for a length of time, or whether the institution should be only a temporary home until a real home is found for it, is being carefully considered; but the sentiment is growing that what every normal

child, defrauded of its natural home, is entitled to, is a foster-home in which it can take root and grow as though born to high privilege of home culture.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society with its three institutions—the Mothers' Jewels Home, in Nebraska, the Watts de Peyster Home on the Hudson for the children of foreigners, and the Cunningham Orphans' Home, in Illinois—is helping to solve this problem.

The children are kept in these Homes and carefully trained and educated until they can be placed in homes of Christian people, where they are reared as children of their own.

We have considered the relation of the Woman's Home Missionary Society to the home, to industrial training, to the education of little children, to the care of dependent children. We may now ask, What is its relation to civic life? We have found that the home and school are the factors that make the child's character, and that these must be brought into harmonious relations.

Civic life, in all its manifestations, is studied because the women of to-day know that the home can not create the perfect conditions for the child unless the local government is administered in the interest of the home, the center of all civilization.

"There is no denying," says a noted writer, "that the government of cities is the one conspicuous failure of the United States. The deficiencies of the National Government tell but little on the welfare of the people. The faults of the State Government are insignificant, compared with extravagance, corruption, and mismanagement which mark the administration of most of the great cities.

Woman's organization stands for legislation which shall be of a permanently helpful character. It seeks to secure reforms in social life which are needed for the promotion of public health and morals. Clean streets, more schools, more breathing-grounds for the poor, have been the demand most emphasized by women. The sentiment which compels a clean municipal ticket will also insist upon the enforcement of existing statutes for the public good.

Dr. Strong says, "The city is to be saved, and it must be saved, before the Kingdom can fully come;" and he calls upon the Church to awake to its duty. He says: "Next to a great spiritual awakening, her greatest need is a broader, truer conception of her mission. The Church ought always to have been first to recognize and relieve human needs, and to right human wrongs; but, with a narrow conception of her mission, she has sat with folded hands while a thousand organizations have sprung up at her side to do her proper work." He further says, "No benevolent work or reform, inspired by a Christian spirit, should ever have been forced to go outside the Christian Church for organization."

When the organization of the Woman's Home Missionary Society was tendered to the Church, and was accepted as one of its benevolent

agencies, no one realized the magnitude of the work undertaken, and the extent of the opportunities for usefulness presented.

I have told you something of the work in the South, of its model and industrial homes, of its work for the children. Time will not permit me to enlarge upon our work among the Indians; among the Orientals on the Pacific Coast, where Chinese and Japanese girls are rescued from horrible lives and given Christian training; of our work in New Mexico, in Washington, in Alaska, and in Utah, our missions on the frontier, where such magnificent work has been accomplished by the agency of our Supplies Department. The cry for help which came from all these points has reached the ear of the Christian women of our land; and teachers and missionaries, money and supplies, have been sent to carry on this grand work. But it will be disputed by no one that the great work of the Society to-day is in our cities; and with its larger experiences and broader views of obligation it is prepared to help in the solution of the problem presented.

The immigrant homes at the ports of entry, New York, Boston, and Philadelphia; Glenn Home, in Cincinnati; Marcy Home, in Chicago; the Italian Mission in New Orleans; the Chinese and Japanese Missions, on the Pacific Coast,—all testify to the comprehensiveness of the work undertaken by the Society for the regeneration of our great cities, and through them of our whole country.

Last, though by no means least, the great deaconess movement is engaging our attention; and while no department of the great work, hitherto undertaken by our organization, should be neglected, the time is ripe for us to plan largely for the city campaign; and in no way can this be done more effectively than by the work of the deaconess, as has been demonstrated in foreign countries, and to a large extent in our own.

As has been truly said, "The work of the deaconess is not, as some apprehend it, alone spiritual and evangelistic, but enters largely into the domain of the practical. In the light of experience, the duty of deaconesses must be defined so as to cover the various forms and grades of services adapted to meet the needs of any locality in which they may be employed.

Our Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, which has in charge all this work in foreign lands, employs deaconesses in schools and in the various forms of missionary service required in those countries. In Germany very little evangelistic work is done by them; they labor in the slums of cities, direct kindergartens, kitchen gardens, gather the children into industrial schools, and adapt their services to the needs of the country in which they are placed."

The deaconess has proved her fitness for missionary work by her great success in reaching the neglected and vicious in our large cities.

With all these forces at our command, may we not believe that our

Society is helping to realize the city of which Washington Gladden speaks when he says: "There is need of thinking much of a civic life which is not yet, but that might be, and that ought to be, and that must be if there is a God in heaven; a city, whose officers shall be peace, and whose exactors righteousness; a city, whose homes shall be sacred and secure; whose traffic shall be wholesome and beneficent; whose laborers shall go forth to their cheerful toil unburdened by the heavy hand of legalized monopolies; whose law shall foster no more curses, nor open the gates to whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie; whose streets shall be full of happy children, playing in safety, and learning the great lessons of civic piety; and whose citizens, on any shore, shall find their thoughts turning homeward with a great longing."

This Society stands always for Christian philanthropy. The renewing of the heart by the saving power of the gospel, and the strengthening of the spiritual life, is ever the leading thought of its workers. It believes thoroughly in practical Christianity, and that a religion that has everything for a future world, and nothing for this, has nothing for either. It believes that genuine goodness is something more than self-seeking for eternity; it is a working together with God in this world for the uplifting and advancement of the human race. It is a seeking to lessen the pains and burdens of life among the toilers and the strugglers; it is a reaching-out after the children of poverty and want.

But its workers have learned as those only who have studied in the highest schools of modern philanthropy must learn, and what they learn with deepening conviction, that only in so far and so fast as we make our charity toward individuals educative, do we permanently elevate the standard and the achievement of the human race.

If our Society is to meet the demands of the new century just dawning, it must have an adequate supply of thoroughly-trained women for the service. The systematic study of all departments of work, and the mental discipline required, together with a thorough and definite knowledge of the Bible, the acquirement of the best methods of Christian work,—all demand a training-school thoroughly equipped in all its departments. The need is only partially met by our present facilities, and there is urgent demand for enlargement. We rejoice to know that plans are being perfected whereby we shall, in the no distant future, have a building and equipment which shall be an honor to the Society, and a lasting monument, by far more desirable than the most costly marble, to one who has given the best of her life to the work of this Society, and whose devotion to its interests has never faltered, and whose influence will live as an inspiration to all who are laborers in this grand field, and to those who, in the future, shall carry on the work of its founders. May there be a royal and a loyal enthusiasm awakened for the erection of Rust Hall!

These words came to us the other day from across the water from the lips of the good bishop from whom we quoted at the beginning of this

address. Speaking of our Society as one of the apostles of the great connectional societies of the Church, he said:

"The Woman's Home Missionary Society which, as usual, is the wisest, the best, the most Christ-like of all the family—the daughter selected to remain at home, who orders the servants, nurses the grandparents, disciplines the grandchildren, and maintains the dignities and proprieties of the family—she is the one character without whom no family ever achieves much place in life."

May she ever maintain her place and be a strong force in the Christian work of the world to-day; and may each one of us, her representatives, be so absolved from self, through devotion to Christ, that he may manifest himself through us! May we be thoughtful in opening doors into larger and better futures for others; may we be ruled by a purpose to make Christ glorious in the world's eyes, to enlarge his authority in the world's work, and to increase his worth in the world's thought! May Christ become the soul of our activity, and may we be always prepared to say, "Thy servants are ready to do whatsoever my Lord, the King, shall appoint!"

"Blessed are they who hear the Master plead
In every cry of human woe or need:
Lo! in their hearts the Lord is risen indeed.
Blessed are they whose prayers indeed find wing,
Whose hands the gift of humble service bring,
And in his lowly children serve their King."

REPORTS FROM BUREAUS.

BUREAU FOR GEORGIA.

THIS Bureau comprises all the work of this Society in Georgia; viz., Haven Home in Savannah, and Mary Haven Home in Speedwell, a few miles distant, with their day-schools and general mission work; and Thayer Home, in Atlanta, which is an Industrial School on the campus of Clark University.

In the interest of this work, I have written during the year 176 letters and a large number of postals, and sent out a considerable literature. A large percentage of these letters have been personal appeals for aid for needy students and for financial help. I can not say that I have met with phenomenal success, though there have been a few responses.

At the close of Haven Home school for the summer, we rejoiced that there had been no disaster of any sort, no death, and no serious illness; but on the 31st of August a terrible cyclone struck the city, and for nearly two days and nights there was no abatement of the storm. Very heavy damage was done to our Home. Roofs were torn off, windows blown out, and in some ways the building was more damaged than at any previous time. Much harm was also done to the outbuildings and fences, and to the lot itself, leaving it almost bare of trees and shrubbery. The inmates endured much discomfort and much hard work before things were again in order. The repairs were not quite completed; but inside the house was in order for the opening of school, when there came another furious storm, lasting about twenty hours, and undoing a good deal of the work, beside thoroughly wetting the inside, and necessitating the third cleaning. All this has been exceedingly discouraging. A tidal wave accompanied each storm, causing a large area of country to be submerged, and a consequent loss of eighty per cent of the rice and other growing crops. This means widespread disaster among the colored population, and, in consequence of this, we are facing the hardest year in the history of this mission. Many of our patrons have lost all in the floods, and must now depend upon charity for the education of their children, or take them away from us. I trust the former friends of this work will not forget its misfortune, now that help is so much needed. We had 44 inmates in this Home during the school months, and six girls during the summer. Our day-school numbered 235, with an average of 185. In the night-school for the inmates there was an average of 32. In the sewing classes 249 new garments were made, beside the making over, the mending, and darning. The income of the Home, including board of missionaries and helpers, has been $804.25. The expenses, outside of salaries, were $1,965.88. The income from the day-school was $372.20, not quite covering the expense. We received thirteen packages of supplies, and $17 in money gifts. Had it not been for the storms, we would have been in excellent condition for the beginning of the coming year.

MARY HAVEN HOME suffered some from the storm, but not severely, though there will be slight repairs as a result. The house was quite thoroughly wet, and the surrounding country largely under water, so that the poverty of that locality will be much increased. There were six girls in this Home during the school months, and a day-school of 56, averaging

43. I would like to emphasize the fact that this school meets a pressing need, and the children who attend it have no other opportunity for education. The people are too poor to pay, and all our income was $57, beside a donation of $3.50. Forty-two garments were made by the girls, beside the usual mending and repairing. The girls were too young to do "making over." Twelve packages of supplies were received by our missionary for this work.

Our missionaries in both these Homes do a large amount of general mission work, making many visits, and holding meetings and Sunday-schools. This outside work is heavy, and growing more so; but it is difficult to tabulate it; indeed, impossible.

THAYER INDUSTRIAL HOME, Atlanta, Ga., had twenty-four boarders, beside missionary and helpers. There were 168 in the sewing classes, 18 in art needle-work, 18 in dressmaking, 24 in housekeeping, and 44 in special cooking classes. The income from board of students and missionary was $786.53, and from dressmaking classes $51.75, making a total income of $838.28. The expenses, beside salaries, were $1,638.95. There was one donation of $50. It was planned to enlarge this Home during the summer vacation; but when plans for the work were completed, it was found that the appropriation of $500, made last year, was altogether too small to put on the addition necessary, and it seemed unwise to begin the work unless the enlargement should be a credit to the Society, meet fully the wants for which it was planned, and be completed without any debt.

There is no discounting the quality of the work done in Thayer Home, nor its far-reaching influence, and an opportunity to take more girls and increase the number of those who wish instruction in Domestic Science, will greatly enlarge the sphere of usefulness at this point. Over thirty girls from this Home have married graduates of Gammon Theological School; others have become wives of lawyers, doctors, and leading men; and many are teaching advanced grades in different places. Most of them are excellent women, leading useful, helpful lives, and doing their share toward the elevation of their race.

Respectfully submitted. ELIZABETH PALEN, *Secretary.*

BUREAU FOR FLORIDA.

IN again reporting the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society in Florida to you who are interested in it, and to you whom we hope to interest, we bring only words of cheer and encouragement. The work is far-reaching, and runs in many lines.

Its needs are great, and the many opportunities for doing good are so apparent, that it is almost impossible for our missionaries to refrain from undertaking much more than they are able to do. It is hard for any one that is not on the ground to realize what is being done, or the amount of labor required to do it, or what could be accomplished with better equipments. In order to maintain this work properly, and to meet the constantly increasing demands upon it, we must enlarge our buildings, and increase the number of our missionaries. One of our missionaries writes: "We could easily double our work and our influence here in Florida, if the women of our Church would say so. It is something for them to think over, and to pray over."

Boylan Industrial Home and School, at Jacksonville, Florida.

When we look back to the opening of this Home, twelve years ago, we can not but exclaim, "What hath God wrought!" Indeed, his especial blessing has seemed to attend on all the efforts put forth in behalf of this

Home. We have been especially fortunate in being able to retain during all of these years our first superintendent. Her remarkable devotion to the work and her great diversity of talent have made her a power for good, not only in the Home and city, but her influence extends throughout the State. Could she be relieved in part from home cares, and have time to organize new Auxiliaries and help to strengthen old ones, we would find that the gain to our Society would be very great.

During the past year 41 girls have received the Home training. These are included in the 245 members of the day-school. We have had 41 pupils in the night-school, who are not included in the above number, but are men and women who toil all day, and who gladly improve the opportunities now offered, but which were denied them in their younger days. In addition to the above-named, we have had 50 girls and 28 boys who were regular attendants at the Sewing Band meetings, where much beside sewing is taught. Most of the girls and boys come from long distances, many of them walking four miles each way.

Our girls made during the year 278 garments, of which 12 were dresses; also 4 quilts, 25 pieces of fancy work, 1,500 samples, 160 sewing cards, and repaired and mended 775 garments. More attention than ever was given to the cooking-lessons and to kitchengarden work, though these have always been made a very important feature of the work. Our music scholars have done excellent work, and the receipts from lessons have paid for the new piano, which is certainly very gratifying.

Four girls (the Willard Class) graduated in the school course, which includes all that is taught in grammar-school grades, besides the industrial training. We now have twenty-eight graduates, who are doing good work among their people, and are an honor to the Home and to our Society. Ten bright girls belong to the Class of 1899 (the Whetstone Class), and give promise of graduating with high honors. Thus is the little leaven working, and the influence of the Home is being extended.

Emerson Memorial Home and School.

This Home is situated in Ocala, in the midst of what is commonly termed the "Black Belt of Florida." Perhaps we have no field where this work is more needed. In Marion County, of which Ocala is the county-seat, there are thirteen thousand colored people. We began our work in a little old deserted church-building, with only curtains to divide the school-room from the narrow strip that contained the girls' beds and all their belongings. In the rear was a room which served for kitchen, dining-room, and sitting-room. How much of privation our faithful missionary endured! The blessing of the Lord rested on the work from the beginning, even until now. Nine years ago we were able to move into our new building, one of the plainest and least expensive of any of our Homes. The house is comfortable, and the grounds ample for the cultivation of vegetables, fruits, and flowers. Our mistake was not building larger and not finishing the third story. We felt the need of bringing the cost to the minimum, which we certainly did. Many wonder how it could have been built for the small sum of $2,700. The work has grown so that the house is now too small, and we are asking for money to complete the third story. We are praying that some one will feel moved to give us $500 for this purpose.

There were in the Home during the past year 18 girls; in the day-school, 45; making a total of 63 girls, besides others who come in for instruction in other lines of work. There were 142 garments made, and 272 samples and 616 garments mended. The usual cooking and kindergarten and music lessons were given.

A beautiful, spiritual influence has pervaded both these Homes, and rarely has a girl gone out from them without having become a Christian. This speaks volumes for the Home influence and Home training. We must not omit to speak of the good that has been done through the large amount of home visiting which has been kept up; it is hand-to-hand and heart-to-heart work that tells here as elsewhere. Our missionaries and our girls are a great power in the Churches, the Sabbath-schools, and the missionary and temperance meetings, doing much to sustain them. Time and space will not permit me to do justice to the work of our devoted missionaries in either of these Homes. It has been truly said that "Figures may be significant and suggestive, and yet fall far short of furnishing the desired information; facts may be startling and pathetic, without revealing the true situation."

The people for whom this work is being done understand it, and appreciate it better than we at a distance possibly can. Would that I had time to give you extracts from the large number of letters I have received from ministers and residents of Florida, expressing their appreciation of the work of our missionaries. An aged and highly esteemed minister writes: "I have lived in Florida thirty-one years, have traveled as a presiding elder all over it, have known its needs, and can truly say that a wonderful change has taken place in the condition of my people, which is entirely due to the faithful, earnest work of these dear Christian teachers. No one but the Lord and the poor people of Florida can tell all that these teachers are doing for young and old in this land." I might add pages of the same gratifying testimony. This will be enough to encourage all of your hearts and to stimulate us to do more for these people.

I had greatly hoped that we would now be able to give Florida one more Home, by opening work in Key West. As we all know, the need of missionary work there is greater than ever. Our faithful Mrs. Daly has labored and sacrificed in a heroic manner for the sake of this work. She greatly appreciated the small appropriation made for her last year, and now implores that we give her larger aid this year. Without our aid she can not continue in this great work, which has accomplished so much good. She, like our other missionaries, carries heavy burdens. One of them writes: "But for a sustaining trust in the 'Great Burden Bearer,' to whose honor and glory the work was dedicated, health and strength would have utterly failed."

Another new year has opened. Our missionaries enter upon it gladly and hopefully. They are assured of larger numbers than ever before, and greater opportunities for usefulness. The work will be limited only by the facilities afforded. Let us remember our responsibilities, and rejoice that we are permitted to labor together with the Lord of the Harvest, who has so wonderfully blessed the seed that has been sown by our faithful and earnest missionaries.

SARAH M. Y. WHETSTONE, *Secretary.*

BUREAU FOR EAST CENTRAL STATES.

THE Industrial Home at Orangeburg, S. C., and the Industrial Homes and Schools at Asheville, N. C., and Camden, S. C., are under the supervision of this Bureau.

Simpson Home, Orangeburg, S. C.

The work in our Home at this point keeps pace with Claflin University, in an advancement in the number in attendance, and in the grade

and character of the work done. Last year nineteen girls were resident in the Home, and this year opens with twenty-six. In addition to the training given to the Home girls in the domestic arts, all the girls in attendance at the university share in the class training given by our teachers. The most complete harmony exists between the Faculty of the university and our representatives—they facilitate our work in every possible way, and we supplement theirs, so that it is difficult to determine where their work begins or ours ends. The yearly revivals at the university result in the formation of large classes of young converts, and our missionary, Miss Penfield, has shown so great fitness for the care of these that the work has been assigned her, and in this way the influence of our teachers extends far beyond the limits of our special work. During the past year the capacity of the building has been increased by the finishing of three large rooms in the attic, and the whole building has been renovated and put in the best possible condition.

The new Industrial teacher, Miss Vesta Ferrabee, has excellent qualifications for her work, and is giving complete satisfaction.

The erection of an additional building, containing rooms specially adapted for industrial classes, is under consideration by some generous friends of the Society, and it is hoped this may be done during the present year.

Allen Industrial Home, Asheville, N. C.

With the payment of the pledges made during the past two years, the debt upon this excellent and commodious building will be canceled, and through the years to come it will stand in this city, to which a hundred thousand visitors go yearly, as a representative Industrial Home. During the last year twenty-four girls were resident in the Home, and about one hundred and fifty were enrolled in the day-school. We had a most excellent class of girls in the Home, modest, refined, Christian girls. A number sufficient to fill the Home have made application for admittance this year. Many more would apply had they the means of support. At Asheville we do not encourage the idea of full beneficiary support, as there is perhaps a little better opportunity here for girls to earn something for their own support, and we purpose, with a very few exceptions, only to supplement their earnings by the addition of sums ranging from $10 to $25. With a little help on this line, Allen Home will be fully equipped for its life and light giving mission.

Browning Home, Camden, S. C.

During the past year extensive improvements have been made in the Home, giving twelve additional rooms, so that the building has now ample accommodation for fifty girls. The school-building has been repaired, and all buildings and fences painted. The cost of these improvements amounted to $2,532.74, and this has been provided without any drain upon the General Treasury. Five hundred dollars came from the bequest of Mrs. Wilkes, $600 from a loan of Mrs. James Mather, and the remainder, $1,432.74, from the income of the Home and school during the past three years.

The loan of Mrs. Mather does not stand as a debt upon the Society. The interest is paid by the school, and the principal will be paid from the tuition fees. From thirty to forty girls have resided in the Home. The day-school has had an attendance of one hundred and eighty-eight, and the night-school about forty. Young men were in attendance at the night-school, who, after a hard day's work, walked eight miles each evening for the privilege of two hours' instruction. .

No school or mission was ever placed under the care of more faithful, painstaking, conscientious women than our missionaries at Camden. They neglect no interest of those intrusted to their care, either along physical, intellectual, or spiritual lines. All their work tends to well-developed, symmetrical character. In addition to the recognized work of the Society at this point, excellent work is being done in the plantation, industrial, and Sabbath-schools along the Wateree River, where there are hundreds of children and youth for whose education and training no other provision has been made.

MRS. E. L. ALBRIGHT, *Secretary.*

BUREAU FOR WEST CENTRAL STATES.

Ritter Home.

Reported by Mrs. Delia Lathrop Williams, Chairman.

RITTER HOME has had a year of unprecedented prosperity and hard work. The cots sent last year came none too soon, as the number of girls in the Home in the winter term reached seventy-two. This number, with the instructors and the student who looks after the outdoor work for his board, made a family of seventy-five. All available sleeping space was filled, and the dining-room overfilled. Should the numbers continue so large, we may sometime ask for an enlargement of the house. Dr. Race, the new President of Grant University, wishes all the girls of the school to be put under our management in Ritter Home, as soon as such an arrangement can be made.

Mrs. Chapman, the Superintendent, procured from the American Bible Society in New York this summer one hundred Bibles, and a friend has sent them fifty of our Hymnals, with the name of the Home on the cover. The students are delighted with these helps in Sabbath-school and Church services.

The Superintendent has for some time advocated a uniform dress for the girls in the Home, as being neater, more economical, and saving a great deal of anxiety on the part of many girls lest they should not make so good an appearance as others. She found a tendency on the part of girls who had but little means to spend what they had in dress. The material was often cheap, the fitting and making bad, and so money was wasted. This summer permission was given the Superintendent to buy the material and try the experiment. She accordingly bought a quantity of dark-blue serge, and one Sabbath the girls and teachers appeared for the first time in their new uniform, blue serge skirts, white waists, jackets, and mortar-board caps. They will wear a variety of waists when the weather is cool. This is their Sunday and street suit. The experiment seems to be a success. They looked well, and as all the sewing was done by the girls themselves, the suits for the largest girls cost less than four dollars.

The property has been put in perfect repair, and all the buildings and fences painted, and a very large cistern built, all at a little less expense than was allowed last year, and without using any money from the General Fund. Two of our girls are in the Senior class of the Grant University, and will graduate from college this year. Both have been our beneficiaries, and give promise of more than ordinary usefulness. As this is the first time we have had graduates in the Home, it is quite an event, and already Mrs. Chapman is planning how best to give them a

good time. She is anxious that their graduation be recognized by the friends of the school in their furnishing the graduation dresses and such other little things as girls require to make the occasion memorable.

It seems to me that it would be a very pleasant custom for us to show our interest in our wards in all our schools that are connected with the colleges of the Freedmen's Aid Society, by a suitable recognition of such as have the ability and perseverance to complete a college course. It would encourage our pupils to greater self-sacrifice and endeavor to avail themselves of all the opportunities the Church provides. Graduation-day is a great day in the life of a girl, next the bridal-day; and by our recognition we could make it still more delightful.

Mrs. Chapman has given her entire summer to the work of the Society, speaking in Ohio, New York, and New England. She has sent to the treasury $195.03, besides taking many pledges, organizing Auxiliaries, and creating interest in the work. A considerable portion of her work was at camp-meetings and at summer resorts; so it is to be hoped the interest created will be diffused.

She has an excellent helper in Miss Elizabeth Wilson, a young lady of Athens. Miss Wilson was most carefully reared by a widowed father. The two constituted the family, and she was his heart companion. The year before last she spent the days at the Home, and then went to her own home nights, Saturdays, and Sabbaths, unless she was specially needed. Early last year her father died; but before his death he sent for Mrs. Chapman, and gave his daughter most solemnly into her care. Mrs. Chapman received the charge from the dying man as solemnly as it was given, emptied a cloak-room adjoining the sewing-room, and had her bring furniture for her room to the Home, and become one of the family. Miss Wilson now knows no other home, and is exceedingly happy in her new relation. She feels an interest in all that pertains to the house, and gladly remained in the Home this summer and took care of it, thus saving us thirty dollars, which we have heretofore paid a poor student. Miss Wilson is an excellent teacher and is popular with the girls, so we have great confidence in our sewing department.

I am glad to report a growing desire on the part of the Southern girls to help themselves. The spirit of the school is excellent. The new President of Grant University, Dr. Race, of Syracuse, N. Y., promises most hearty co-operation in our work, and we hope, standing shoulder to shoulder with the Freedmen's Aid Society and the Board of Trustees of Grant University, to be no mean factor in making Athens a center of hope and culture, not only to East Tennessee, but to all the contiguous Mountain States.

Kent Industrial Home, Greensboro, N. C.

This year in Kent Home has been a happy, useful one. Soon after the opening of the school year our workers were unexpectedly changed, and the responsibility fell upon Miss Thornborough to superintend the work. A little later the services of Mrs. Snow, a former superintendent, were secured as assistant. While our Home was full, and the girls were ambitious, there was a great lack of money because of their poverty. We are glad to report that no girl left the Home, and for each needy case some friend was found to tide over the weeks. What would we do without the women, who not only read the appeals of anxious Secretaries, but who take them to heart, and make it possible for us to continue the work? I desire to express the gratitude of dear, faithful girls, and my own, for the peculiar blessings of the past year. So often our girls are heard to say, "How kind the Northern people are to care for us poor

colored girls! It seems so strange they should be interested in our education." I wonder how many of those who hear or read this report have ever sent a Christmas package to those who have no Christmas. Last December, "the January sisters"—five girls in New York—wrote to Miss Thornborough for the names of each girl under her care. A little later a box containing a complete work-basket, with handkerchiefs, etc., was sent for Christmas. The joy, the surprise, the good that was done can not be told. We trust that next Christmas will find this experience repeated in every Home belonging to our Society. We have made some new friends this past year. They have sent us clothing, sewing materials, varnish for our floors, and have helped our workers to greater success. This coming year opens favorably, but already our needs are confronting us. We suffer from wear and time, as any house must. We hope to be able to make necessary repairs, and do even better work from last year's experience.

New Jersey Industrial Home, Morristown, Tenn.

In many respects the past year has been one of marked prosperity, beyond any previous year in the history of the New Jersey Home. Our hearts have been gladdened as we have recognized the hand of a loving Father in supplying all our needs. Faithful stewards, who call themselves Auxiliaries to our Woman's Home Missionary Society, have sent us aid, and oftentimes from most unexpected sources. May God bless every one who has kept us in mind, and added to our comfort! The New Jersey Conference kindly sent us $125 to meet the expense of painting our Home, which now presents a very neat appearance. Our Sewing Department has numbered 130, accomplished good work, and was very helpful to many who showed marked progress.

Eighteen girls composed our family, coming from Virginia, Georgia, and Tennessee. Their ages ranged from fourteen to twenty, all very bright, and studious. One gained the medal for promptness, another for oratory.

We had two girls in the graduating class. One of these has gone to college, through her own effort and the aid of a kind friend. She said, when leaving, "I am nearer God in this Home, than any other place." A graduate of 1897 has proven a very efficient assistant, and will share the responsibilities another year. The devotion of the girls to Miss Mosher is a tribute of no small value. Application has been made for twenty girls this year, and several have been turned away for lack of room. It has been our aim to give to the girls the very best training, under the best conditions possible. We look for an abundant harvest.

MARY FISK PARK, *Secretary.*

BUREAU FOR MISSISSIPPI.

E. L. Rust Industrial Home, Holly Springs, Miss.

THE Home was not formally opened until October 6, 1897, the prevalence of the yellow fever and consequent quarantine prevented, and no one could enter or leave the town for some weeks.

Miss Ora S. Silvey, the newly-appointed Superintendent, was detained at Memphis four days; but finally, by going to a point beyond Holly Springs and riding across the country, reached her destination, and the Assistant, Mrs. J. D. Spear, arrived ten days later.

During the first two months there were only seven girls in the Home, but the number increased each succeeding month, and the last two there were twenty.

The monthly reports of the Superintendent indicate that good work was done. Miss Mary Hampton graduated from the Normal Department. At the close of the year, from a consideration of the best interests of the Home, it was deemed advisable that there be a change of administration, and Superintendent and Assistant were so advised.

Again, at the time for the opening of the work in 1898, we are confronted with a recurrence of the yellow fever and quarantine regulations, although the newly-appointed Superintendent, Miss Phinnette K. Bristol, and her Assistant, Miss Grace S. Dempster, arrived at Holly Springs, and were installed in the Home prior to the quarantine, and are anxiously waiting the arrival of the girls, who are, up to this date (October 19th), unable to reach Holly Springs.

It is hardly possible to estimate the dire effect of the yellow fever scourge on our Industrial Homes in the infected country. It would seem advisable that hereafter the Home be not opened until November 1st, for there may be each year a recurrence of the fever.

On account of delay, I can not report progress in the work, other than the Home and grounds have been put in good condition, and there will be no delay on the arrival of the girls in immediately entering on the work. We have every reason to expect a prosperous and profitable year. Heretofore a special teacher for the Nurse-training Department was employed; now we have in Miss Bristol a Superintendent and Nurse-training teacher combined, while Miss Dempster will have charge of the sewing and music.

Bennett Industrial Home, Clarkson, Miss.

I am able to report a most successful year. Miss Abby S. Putnam has proven herself a most efficient and successful Superintendent, and her management and conduct of the Home have been excellent.

Owing to the quarantine, the work could not begin until November 1, 1897. The Home opened with twenty-three girls, and closed with twenty-eight. Mrs. Richards, who had charge of the Sewing Department and music, was retired Febraury, 1898, on account of family cares, but reported before leaving that up to that time 98 garments had been completed by the sewing class. Miss Putnam assumed the extra work of the sewing for the remaining months of the year, and so expense was saved.

At Clarkson, before Bennett Home came into existence, there was located "Woodland Academy," under the control of the Freedmen's Aid Society, and because of this academy it was considered a good point to establish an Industrial Home by the Woman's Home Missionary Society. A modest little house was erected for that purpose. It will only accommodate about thirty people within its walls, and the Home was named in honor of Mrs. Zeba Bennett, who from the first has been greatly interested in and helpful in its maintenance.

During the last year a transfer of Woodland Academy and some two hundred acres of land has been made by the Freedmen's Aid Society to the Woman's Home Missionary Society by lease for ninety-nine years, at a nominal rental of one dollar per year.

By the transfer of the academy to the Woman's Home Missionary Society is added a very important school for white girls and boys, the only educational institution in that section of the country under the auspices of the Methodist Episcopal Church. In accepting the property

and school, a new and greater responsibility is assumed, and a step forward is made, and, in our opinion, an advanced step in the right direction, as it increases the facilities for better education of the girls in our Industrial Home. We have power and authority to make the school what it should be, *first-class* and *high grade*. In August last Professor W. A. Davis and his wife, of Pearl, Michigan, were employed to go to Clarkson, and take charge of Woodland Academy. The property needed to be cared for, and some repairs to be made before the opening of the school, which was to take place September 5, 1898. The work done by Professor and Mrs. Davis shows that we were fortunate in securing their services. They are certainly the right persons in the right place. The school opened with eighty-eight students. More can not be cared for comfortably with present accommodations. We will be compelled in the near future to have a larger boarding-house and dormitory.

The number of girls now in Bennett Home far exceeds the capacity to house with comfort, and if a new Home can be built, without doubt fifty more girls would enter. Miss Putnam has been compelled to refuse many applicants, who are anxious to be received, for want of room. The question is, What are we to do?

Can the Society afford to hesitate to make the effort to secure the means to erect such buildings as are needed for the advancement of the work and meet the demands at Clarkson, Mississippi? The location is delightful, on elevated ground, dry, sandy soil, and perfumed with the fragrance of pine-trees, and building shaded by oak-trees, monarchs of the forest.

You will remember that there are but two Industrial Homes for white girls in the South, under the management and control of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, while there are many for the colored girls. One class needs the opportunity for gaining education as much as the other. May no mistake be made in securing the opportunity! May it not be said of us, "This ye ought to have done, and not to have left the other undone!" MRS. HENRY C. HEDGES, *Secretary*.

BUREAU FOR WEST SOUTHERN STATES.

Adeline Smith Home, Little Rock.

SOON after the opening of the Adeline Smith Home last fall, a yellow fever epidemic threatened the town, and retarded the coming of the girls. In February small-pox broke out. There was a case of it in the college; the yellow flag was raised. And they were obliged to close the college for two weeks. The girls in the Home were all vaccinated; some were quite sick, and all were very much frightened. Mrs. Nasmyth was obliged to keep them some time after the close of the school year, as their parents would not permit them to come home. This increased expenses considerably. Notwithstanding these drawbacks, the past year has been the most successful one which the Home has ever known. At the opening there were eighteen girls ready to enter, and the superintendent was obliged to buy new mattresses and bedroom furniture, and in several instances crowd three girls into one bed to accommodate them. The girls came from Texas, Louisiana, Indian Territory, and Arkansas. When time and strength permitted, Mrs. Nasmyth has addressed public meetings in the town and in different parts of the State, and thus aroused much enthusiasm and interest. She visited the Little Rock Conference, and delivered an address. The ministers of the Conference have stood loyally by us. Receptions and socials have been given at the Home for the

teachers and students in the college. Mrs. Nasmyth delivered an address to the students during Commencement-week. Among other distinguished visitors at the Home this year was the governor of the State, who called by invitation of the superintendent, was conducted through the Home, and expressed himself as well pleased with all that he saw and heard.

The summary of the year's work is as follows: Number of girls enrolled during the year, 41; number aided by scholarship money during the year, 7; number of lessons given in plain sewing, 1,302; in dressmaking, 565; in fancy work, 245; in cooking, 521; barrels of supplies received, 12; articles of clothing given to the poor, 406; visits to sick and needy, 30; baskets of food given away, 17; number of meals given to poor and needy, 93; number of Bible-lessons given, 160; Sunday-school services attended, 34; Young People's Meetings, 59; temperance meetings, 3; Bibles given away, 10; leaflets and tracts distributed, 42. Four young women have been converted in the Home during the year. The barrels of supplies received have been a wonderful help, especially those containing new pieces of cloth, which could be utilized in the sewing department. We were allowed four scholarships last year, and we ask for five the coming year. We very much need blankets, bed-spreads, sheets, pillow-cases, and towels. Remember this when sending supplies.

The prospects for the coming year are even brighter, and promise greater results than those already achieved. Mrs. Nasmyth writes: "The problem no longer is how to *reach* the people, but how to provide for the numbers who are seeking admittance to the Home."

The Italian Mission.

It was impossible, owing to the prevalence of yellow fever, to open the Italian Mission until the latter part of December. Miss Gibson and Miss Robertson did good work for the Society, however, during their enforced stay in the North. They addressed societies and organized Auxiliaries. On reaching New Orleans they found the city in a very unsanitary condition, the heat intense, and rents exorbitant. After days of weary search, they secured a small house, removed the furniture of Peck Home, which had been stored at the university since the fire, had such articles as they needed repaired, and thus fitted up their house, and opened the mission. The people welcomed them gladly. The missionaries wrote that they were more softened, more approachable than ever before. Sewing and night schools were organized, and the children came in increasing numbers until the rooms of the Home were filled. The night-school opened with eight in classes. The number soon increased to forty. The number of nights in which the school was open was 114; number of Bible-lessons given, 50; sewing classes taught, 44; public meetings addressed, 32; visits to sick and needy, 152; Sunday-school services held, 46; packages of clothing received, 6; articles of clothing given out, 90; cards, leaflets, and tracts distributed, 705; Bibles given away, 12; Easter eggs, 80. Many Bible-lessons have been given indirectly while teaching classes. Our missionaries allow no opportunity for sowing "the seed of the kingdom" in the hearts of the children to pass unimproved. In February Miss Gibson was taken ill, and was sent North by the physician. Miss Robertson, assisted by Miss Page, successfully carried on the work till the close of the year. The supplies which have been sent have proved a wonderful help. But the needs of the mission are not all provided for as yet. They have a very scant supply of table-linen. Knives, forks, and spoons are badly needed, also a stove. Much has been accomplished this year under many difficulties and discouragements. Alone and unprotected, save by the "all-seeing eye of God," our mission-

aries have lived in one of the worst sections of New Orleans. Much has been already accomplished, and great are the future possibilities of this mission under God.

Peck Home, New Orleans.

Nothing has been done towards rebuilding Peck Home or reopening our work there this year. MRS. F. A. ARTER, *Secretary.*

BUREAU FOR TEXAS.

King Home, Marshall.

BEAUTIFUL for situation, and the joy of all the colored people for a hundred miles around, is King Home, located at Marshall, Texas.

The past year has been the most successful one in the history of the school. The good seed sown in tears by the former Secretaries and teachers is now yielding an abundant harvest, and we are reaping the fruit of their labors.

The statistics for the year are as follows:

Number of pupils boarding in the Home	38
Average	28
Number of day pupils	127
Average	97
Number of boarding and day pupils	165
Average	125
Classes in cooking, per diem	3
Plain sewing, per diem	6
Dressmaking, per diem	2
Embroidery, per week	8
Garments made	651
Repaired	80
Articles given out	180
Visits to sick and needy	37
Temperance meetings	28
Bible-lessons	82
Sunday-school services	57
Young People's Meetings	47

This does not fully represent the work done, for statistics are only skeletons, which must be clothed with arteries, nerves, and flesh, to make them living entities; nor do they tell of the toil and sacrifice, nor the unswerving devotion of our teachers.

By permission of the Board, I had the pleasure of visiting the school last February, and seeing the situation through my own glasses. The discipline of the school is markedly efficient. The firmness, blended with a Christlike spirit of gentleness and love, was something beautiful to see. Order, neatness, thoroughness, and economy characterizes all the work. It was a genuine surprise to me to see the politeness, grace, and gentleness of manner of the girls. The deportment was simply above criticism. The studious attention which they gave to their studies in the university was a delight to me, as well as the proficiency attained in the domestic arts, such as cooking, laundry work, general housekeeping, sewing, dressmaking, and embroidery. Many had never learned even the use of the needle or thimble before entering the Home. A class of fourteen was graduated in scientific dressmaking, according to the Magic Scale System, this year.

The exercises were unique. The teachers as well as the girls were clad in an inexpensive white material, and each of the girls had a number on the program, which consisted of solos, duets, recitations, essays, and the conferring of diplomas. The exercises were held in the chapel of Wiley University. I presume the moral effect of this display will be beneficial, and tend to give the girls a deeper sense of the dignity of manual labor and capable womanhood. Another special feature was the attention given to the development of Christian character, having for its foundation the knowledge and authority of Scripture truth. One Sabbath morning at devotions we were studying the Sunday-school lesson, and so apt were they in replies, I thought I would ask them some other questions. I gave them fifty questions upon the life of Christ, and they answered all but six correctly, a test which I know would tax to the utmost many a white school in the North to equal. Every girl in the Home, save one, was a Christian. Several were led to Christ during the year. I asked one of the girls how many were Christians. She replied that there "was only one *sinnah* among them."

There is an increasing desire for an education and to be helpful, which shows the awakening of their minds. The hundreds of windowless and doorless cabins I passed *en route* spoke plainly of the widespread poverty, ignorance, and consequent degradation. I thought I was intelligent concerning the situation, but one can scarcely comprehend their poverty and great need, unless one comes in actual contact with the people and surroundings. They are making great progress, but there are great hindrances. The lack of comprehension on the part of the parents of the need of thorough preparation for life's work, and their inability on account of their poverty to give their daughters two or three consecutive years of instruction in the Home, are great barriers to success.

We can not expect great results from a training of eight months, and yet great results have been realized.

The relations between Wiley University and the Home are most cordial and helpful. Upon invitation of President Dogan, I made several chapel talks and lectured to the students. I also accepted an invitation to address the students of Bishop College on Washington's birthday. This is one of the largest colored schools under the auspices of the Baptists. They have about four hundred students, the same as Wiley. They sang many of the old plantation songs for me, as did also the girls in the Home and also the Wiley University Quartet.

The premises were in excellent condition, and will need only a few minor repairs this year, which will be made from the receipts of the Home. I think I solved the heating problem in a very economical and safe way, by putting in small stoves and radiators, carrying the pipes through rooms where there were no flues. The entire cost was $108. When I went down I found the Home so crowded, and consequently unsanitary, that I at once saw a contractor, and got estimates for finishing three rooms in the third story. I found that, with my unconditional appropriation for heating, that I could arrange for both heating and finishing the rooms. I ordered it done, and it was all completed by the latter part of May, and I now hold in my possession the duplicate receipts for the entire expense. Since the stoves and radiators have been put in place, only two of the second story rooms will hold two beds comfortably, so there is very little additional room for an increase of students. There ought to be three more rooms and the hall finished this year. I presume the cost of finishing all in a workmanlike manner would not exceed three hundred dollars. Then the building would be completed, and at least forty-five accommodated in the Home.

I found no flag at the Home. But immediately upon my return, I

asked the Queen Esther Circle of Washington, Iowa, to donate one, which they did. I presume it will very soon float over King Home, proclaiming impressively, though silently, Liberty, Justice, and Fraternity.

MRS. LAVANDA G. MURPHY, *Secretary.*

BUREAU FOR UTAH.

STEADILY for eighteen years has the pulse and heart of our great organization beat for those in the vast inter-mountain Territory of Utah whose lives are darkened by the pall of Mormonism.

The month in the early spring that I spent in visiting the work is with me as a pleasant memory. Our half-dozen Auxiliaries are active and loyal. I studied the work in full operation at the different points, and am not surprised at the hopeful indications for the opening of the new year.

Salt Lake City.

The activities of our four deaconesses in "Davis Deaconess Home," Salt Lake City, are often taxed to the utmost. Mrs. M. E. Spence serves the First Church as far as possible, in connection with her duties as superintendent of the Home. Many a stranded young girl, many a bereft mother and child, has found this Home a veritable haven of rest and safety. The Home is remembered in many kindly ways by friends in the city. The basement presents the appearance of an Oriental reception-room, as ten or twelve young Chinamen assemble there nightly in the capacity of a school. And while the work is not directly under our auspices, our deaconesses, as teachers, add their influence and help to educate and Christianize them.

A flag, "with its shining stars of morning light," the gift of the California Conference, Woman's Home Missionary Sociey, floats in the heart of this city from the flagstaff upon our Deaconess Home. May we live to see it wave triumphantly over this beautiful metropolis freed from the thralldom of a subtle and dangerous foe!

Miss Potter and Miss Kullenberg are serving English mission Churches, while Mrs. Hansen is devoting herself to the Scandinavian people, holding each Saturday an Industrial School for girls aside from her duties as visiting deaconess.

Provo.

Mrs. Helen M. Kingsbury is still on duty at Provo, one of the important educational strongholds of the Mormon Church. Here the Methodist minister created such a sentiment against the Mormon teachers in the public schools holding their "religion classes" in the school buildings after school hours, that they were compelled to impart this line of instruction elsewhere, although the school buildings in the smaller towns are used for this purpose, the Gentile children being permitted to go home, if they wish, at the close of school.

Mrs. Kingsbury is active in every department of Church work, and conducts regularly once a week an Industrial School for girls, with an average attendance of twenty-two. She meets regularly the Junior League, thus being able to influence the boys as well as girls. Some of the parents are beginning to recognize the worth of these efforts, by allowing their children to attend our Sabbath-school.

Mt. Pleasant.

Because of the altitude at Mt. Pleasant, Miss Potter, who was our deaconess here for a year, was compelled in August to enter upon work in Salt Lake City, much to the regret of the pastor of the Church and the people with whom she was associated.

Ephraim.

Miss Agnes Bulow, a new worker under our auspices, appointed missionary to Ephraim about five months ago, is finding her way into hearts and homes hitherto closed to Christian influence. She is active along usual lines of Church and benevolent work, beside conducting an Industrial School twice a week, with good attendance and gratifying results.

Richfield.

Our missionary, Miss Oberg, did efficient service for a year in Richfield, an important county-seat. She resigned the 1st of September, to become the wife of the pastor of the First Scandinavian Church in Salt Lake City.

It is to be regretted that we are not able to fill the vacancy immediately, for the interims without a missionary are detrimental to the best interests of the work.

Logan.

We have been able to secure for this point the services of Miss Dora Jayne, the daughter of Rev. G. E. Jayne, one of the pioneer Methodist preachers of Utah. So she is to the manor born. With a good literary and musical education and thoroughly consecrated to Christian work, we look for marked advance of the Church along all lines in this educational center of the dominant Church.

Spring City.

For six years we have maintained a school in Spring City, and in an unmistakable degree its influence is being felt in the community. It is seen in the increased attendance upon our Sabbath-school and the public service during each Sabbath afternoon held during the past five months by the pastor at Ephraim. Our teacher, Miss S. C. Simonson, during her two years of service, has conducted a Sabbath-school, often with fifty pupils. During the summer school vacation she conducted an Industrial School and the Sabbath-school, also visiting among the people. During her short vacation the pastor from Ephraim cared for the Sabbath-school. If we would keep in these towns, where ours is the only Christian influence, our hold upon the people after it is gained, these efforts must know no vacation. This is our principle and purpose.

Early in September Miss Simonson opened her school with sixteen pupils; soon twenty-three were enrolled from Mormon and apostate families. She also continues an industrial class an hour twice a week, immediately after school. She writes, "The larger girls seem to be attracted and held by it."

Elsinore.

Mrs. M. H. Passmore, our teacher at Elsinore, opened the 12th of September her third year of school. She writes: "The outlook for the coming year is surprisingly encouraging. It surpasses anything I dared hope. I opened school a week ago, and enrolled twenty-two the first

week, with a prospect of six or eight to-morrow. For the time of year this is remarkable. The children seemed eager for school to begin, something I have never seen before." Mrs. Passmore was away from Elsinore but two days during the entire summer.

This school opened the first year with six pupils, the second with ten, the third year with fourteen, and the fourth year with twenty-two. Surely this is encouraging, when we remember that it was here that the people determined to "freeze out the Methodists," and succeeded for two or three years. And with these Methodists went all Christian influence in the midst of the hundreds of children in this beautiful valley community. Older and more advanced pupils are seeking admission to the school. The teacher is puzzled what to do. She hesitates to refuse admittance to these more mature pupils. She pleads for an assistant. The school is so ungraded that it is impossible for her to care for all classes if she admits this higher grade. A competent young woman offers to take two studies and assist in the school the rest of the time. She was a pupil in the school last year. She will perform this service for a small remuneration, for she must by her own efforts educate herself. It would be a far-reaching benevolence to employ this young woman in our school in Elsinore. Ten dollars a month for eight months will do this. Who will respond? Service is held in our mission occasionally by the circuit pastor, with good attendance.

Maroni.

In July Mrs. H. H. Merrick was appointed missionary kindergartner at Maroni. This is a new departure in our work, but I believe it a very wise one. Mrs. Merrick established herself in our Home, visited the mothers in the community, and explained the proposed work. She now has twenty little ones in her kindergarten, and has been compelled to refuse ten others admittance until vacancies occur. No minister has held Church service in Maroni during the past year. Mrs. Merrick has organized a fine Sabbath-school and held regular Sabbath evening services, attracting many who would never in any other way hear the gospel.

I am glad to report that at every point where we have property in Utah our work is being successfully prosecuted, with the exception of Mt. Pleasant, and here in our Church regular service is held, and we hope soon to add the work of a missionary.

Many of our workers spent their vacation in assisting at the "gospel tent meeting," under the supervision of the superintendent of the mission.

During my visit in Utah, I was glad to represent the work in three Churches in Salt Lake City, and in Provo twice; also before the Ministerial Association of the mission at Payson.

The Society in relation to its work in Utah was fully discussed. I met with our Advisory Board, and found them desirous to assist in promoting the best interests of our work.

Since my connection with the Bureau I have felt the lack of up-to-date literature for our own work and the work of the Church, a serious embarrassment and hindrance to our efforts.

The Christian ministers and missionaries of Utah are aroused to the necessity for leaflets to scatter broadcast; not such as shall portray the adherent to the Mormon faith as an individual, or member of society, or as a citizen, or even to trace the effects of such a pernicious doctrine upon the heart and mind of the young reared under its precepts; but to give to all interested, not only in the Christian development of this new

State, but those studying its political and social advancement an accurate knowledge of what this "Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints" really teaches; what is meant when its members are exhorted "to live their religion."

These leaflets will contain copious and scrupulously correct extracts from books of this Church held to be direct revelations from God, as much Divinely-inspired as any book of the Bible. The Presbyterian Church has grandly taken the lead in this movement, through the Kinsman Publishing Company, 314 State Street, Salt Lake City. At the last Mission Conference of our own Church prizes were offered for the leaflet best adapted for distribution among the Mormons, and the one best for general circulation. I have in hand much valuable material to be put in leaflet form for use in our own work, received from those who have made an intelligent study of the Mormon faith and practice.

Never was there greater need than now for our Society to stand by Utah. There are in Utah 311 post-offices, and only 70 are touched with evangelical mission work of any description. Do you ask, does any one ask, "Why misisonary work in Utah? Why try to supplant the Mormon faith?" Seventeen hundred missionaries, fifteen hundred of them in this country, are proclaiming the doctrine of the Mormon Church, but only in part. Elder George Dunbar, a returned Logan missionary, says: "We do not preach Divine authority, apostasy, salvation for the dead, nor the pre-existence of spirits. We do not preach Joseph Smith nor the Book of Mormon; for such a course would harden their hearts." He might have added: "We do not preach" the infallibility of the "living oracles" (their bishops and priests and other Church officials), that "God himself was once as we are now, and is an exalted man;" that "he (Adam) is our Father and our God, and the only God with whom we have to do;" that "sin is necessary to eternal life;" that all civil government is illegitimate, except as officered by the Mormon priesthood;" that "Jesus Christ was a polygamist;" that "polygamy is as much a part of their faith to-day as it ever was, is one of their fundamental principles taught in their Churches and schools."

These are the doctrines we would displace in the minds and hearts of the young, and the old, too, if they would listen, for the pure principles and experience of the Christian religion which always bring unspeakable peace to every heart and happiness to every home.

May God give us courage, wisdom, and grace for the prosecution of our work in Utah! MRS. B. S. POTTER, *Secretary.*

BUREAU FOR NEW MEXICO AND ARIZONA (SPANISH).

WITH the opening of this year new possibilities and responsibilities face the Woman's Home Missionary Society, especially the department that includes the Spanish-speaking people.

There is a call for workers who understand the people and their speech to go to Cuba, Porto Rico, and the Philippines. Our Church is preparing to step out and send the gospel to such territory as will come under the protection of our flag. Should not the Woman's Home Missionary Society be ready to fall in line and do its part?

In 1889, Mrs. Annie Norton wrote: "We are sure this is God's work; we fully believe that Methodism has a mission to this Spanish-speaking people. By the mute appeal of ignorance; by the wild, weird cry of superstition; by the helplessness of childhood, they are reaching out their hands to us for gospel light and Christian culture."

Nine added years of seed-sowing, and to-day our hearts echo the same sentiment, and we are glad for the privilege of continuing this work in His name. Many doors stand open for new work; but who will make it possible for us to enter new fields?

Harwood Home.

This Home school of nineteen very promising young women closed the year with a Rose Festival, our garden furnishing the roses. Our girls all showed the results of careful training, and were a happy and attractive company. Quite recently a young woman, who was a pupil in the Home during its first year, was married to a worthy young man, and it is very gratifying to know that the life in our Home developed an earnest Christian woman, whose life will be an object-lesson to others, worthy of imitation.

One of our beneficiaries, sixteen years of age, at the close of school was found a place with an invalid lady, who took her to the mountains for a month. While there she met a Mexican girl, who had no religious belief. She immediately told her of Jesus, and gave her Spanish Bible to the girl, telling her she "must believe or be lost." When she left the mountains the girl said, "Now I believe." Juniata is an earnest, devout Christian and a faithful Bible student. We are sure there is a future of usefulness for her.

Another of our students prepared a paper in Spanish on Education, and gave it at the Mexican camp-meeting during August. It was very commendable, and was highly complimented. Our teachers were greatly pleased at her success.

A more mature class of girls were in the Home the past year. Several were daughters of Mexican preachers. Better school work, more careful domestic service, and consistent lives are the result. Through the contributions of supplies from Wellington, Kansas, and the Young People's Circle of Foundry Church, in Washington, D. C., our kindergarten was opened. Our dining-room was made comfortable by the gift of a stove from Mrs. Anderson, of Albuquerque, and table-linen from Plainfield, N. J.

Ontario, in Southern California, made a much appreciated contribution of a barrel of fruit.

Miss Ellsworth Apperson, superintendent, and her associate, Miss Anita C. Rodriguey, have won the affection of our students and the respect of the community, who have been critical observers of all that has transpired.

We have promised to admit this year twelve beneficiaries, and look to our friends for their support. The best work is done among this class of students, and it is real missionary work. Dear friends, help us. Fifty dollars each for these rough stones to be polished and made fit for the temple.

Las Cruces.

Five years of missionary work in Las Cruces closed June 30th by Miss M. J. Tripp. During those years there has been in her school an enrollment of 348 pupils, with an average daily attendance of 25¾. She has made 1,003 visits to the sick and needy, and distributed 1,035 tracts, leaflets, and papers. Her mission has been to young and old. The Church and Sunday-school have been greatly strengthened by her teaching and life.

An urgent need of similar work in connection with our Spanish

mission in El Paso has caused us to request her transfer to that place. She begins her work visiting among the people, and will teach a school in connection with our mission for the Mexicans.

Las Vegas.

Our school, under the care of Miss Nellie Snider, continues to gather in a varied class of children and youth. During the winter months the enrollment is large, but as spring advances some of our pupils are taken away to help look after the sheep and goats.

Miss Snider's labor on Sunday among the Mexican children is truly mission work.

Temperance lessons are given regularly, and no opportunity missed in bringing to the people the truth, and in leading the youth to a better way of life. MRS. ANNA KENT, *Secretary.*

BUREAU FOR NEW MEXICO AND ARIZONA (INDIAN).

Dulce, New Mexico.

THIS has been the most successful year in the history of this mission. A larger number of pupils have been in attendance, and most excellent work done. David Caldwell, who assisted Miss Moore in the school work, has entered college, and the eldest young lady pupil, Lasiada Ruyhal, will in good time become the wife of a young minister of the New Mexico Conference. Thus our pupils go out to fill places of usefulness.

Early in the year Miss Clegg was laid aside for a time by physical disability, but through the loving kindness of our Heavenly Father she has been restored, and has resumed her former duties. Through the kind helpfulness of friends in sending more beneficiary money and more barrels of supplies all have been better provided for.

Miss Moore came East, and was in attendance upon the Annual Meeting at Minneapolis. We who have the privileges of social fellowship and the best of pulpit service, can have little idea of what such opportunities were to her. She returned to her field of work, overwhelmed with the help pledged for the school, the kindness shown her by every one, and especially the material help received from the ladies of Wesley Chapel and Hennepin Avenue Churches. Her prayers will surely be fervent for those who so gladdened her heart. May the dear Lord reward them!

Navajo Mission.

It is with profound gratitude to our Heavenly Father that we are able to report progress at this mission. Much of the time Mrs. Eldridge has been out on the reservation, or at the new mission of the Woman's National Indian Association at "Two Gray Hills." This has left Miss Tripp with the care of the house, and to attend to the Navajoes that are constantly coming on all sorts of errands. Frank, the interpreter, and a trusty Christian maid, have been faithful helpers.

May 1, 1898, marks an epoch in the history of this mission, as on that day Rev. Thomas Harwood made his first visit there and organized a Church class. This was followed by the reorganization of the Sunday-school, which was sustained by the white people during Miss Tripp's vacation. These are manifesting greater interest in the mission, and are often very helpful and are anxious for a school, as there has never been

one in that vicinity, and the children are growing up in ignorance and degradation.

Some of the Mormons propose to send their children. The Navajoes, too, desire a school where their children may learn to speak English. This is a wonderful change, for the first message from the Navajoes to our missionaries was, "We want no school."

It is proposed to open a school where the white children can attend as day pupils, and the Navajoes be kept there through the winter, as the parents move from place to place to find pasturage for their flocks. A small dormitory is needed, at an expense of about $150.

Some of the Navajoes are beginning to comprehend the truths of the gospel, and are daily praying to God, and will come alone to talk with the missionaries about living Christian lives, and how they can know what is right and pleasing to the Lord. Brother Harwood is expected there again soon, when he will baptize more of the people, who will unite with the class.

I want to ask you to pray for our self-sacrificing missionaries. We have little idea of the hardships and perils they are passing through to plant our missions on the outposts of civilization.

MRS. E. W. SIMPSON, *Secretary.*

BUREAU FOR INDIAN AND FRONTIER WORK.

THE most notable movement in the Indian Department this year has been among the Five Nations, who are about coming into territorial relations with the United States, thus assuring citizenship. Also the long-wronged Seminoles of Florida have promise of their rights in that beloved home of theirs.

We have not yet heard from the late Indian conference at Mohawk. How great an influence that august council exerts for the good of the two great wronged races who abide with us and look to us for all that men desire!

Our Indian and frontier missions are chiefly in Oklahoma, in the northeastern corner of the State. There are two in Washington and one in California. At Pawnee, Osage, and Ponca, in Oklahoma, we employ the wives of ministers appointed by the Oklahoma Conference, with the condition that the minister shall not be removed without the sanction of our Board. At Pawnee, our beautiful grove of five acres, which is at the agency, is much coveted by the Indians for their sports; but is ours as long as we employ a missionary there, who sacredly holds it for us. The missionary petitions for a small mission residence to be built there. The minister, who is a Pawnee, is rigorous in his Church discipline, and while there is a good religious influence, he reports fewer members, because below his standard of piety. She reports the happy, hopeful sick-beds of those who are trusting in God.

Ponca.

A great deal of activity prevails at Ponca. The agent and whites, with the Indians, were about building a church. By the change of agent the building is retarded, though not relinquished. Mr. and Mrs. Simms devote their time to visiting the camps, receiving the Indians, counseling and helping them. He preaches at two points on the reservation. At the Government schools there are two hundred children enrolled, about equally divided between Ponca and Pawnee.

Osages.

At Pawhuska our white school has continued through the year, with an enrollment of fifty-three pupils. Rev. A. G. Murray preaches every Sunday for whites and Indians, and has two Sunday-schools out on the reservation. One of our cottages, purchased when we had a contract Indian school, rents for $120 per year. Our Mission Homes are in good condition, and much pains are taken with vegetables and flowers as an object-lesson. These Osages like their old life of rest and play, and therefore rent their houses and farms, and live in a tent, with a bright fire, the smoke rising through a hole in the roof. The Osages are not dying out, but are steadily increasing in numbers. Like Ponca and Pawnee, this station has suffered from the removal of a friendly Christian agent, who not only contributed liberally himself to the Indian Church, but influenced others. These have been displaced for Catholics or irreligious men. The poor Indian is still at the mercy of politicians.

Ukiah, California.

Rev. J. L. Burchard, though aged, is still our missionary, still a father to the Indians scattered over an area of many miles. There are three Indian day-schools, in which earnest Christian women are employed, and the fruits are unto salvation. Father Burchard has done a great work for the whole country on the line of temperance.

Washington.

Among Father Wilbur's Yakimas, Mrs. Miller, at Fort Simcoe, reports revival influence. A church is about to be dedicated, followed by a protracted-meeting. The Woman's Home Missionary Society has been granted forty acres of the one hundred and sixty acres of land given our Church by the Government. Mrs. Miller has secured pleasant rooms twenty-five miles from her home, where she spends part of her time, that she may labor with the people of that locality. From her lot, which she has planted herself with the Indians' help, she has an abundance of vegetables and fruit, enough to divide with the Indians. They are learning, by her example, to put away these things for winter.

Stickney Home

Has had a year of ordinary prosperity; fifteen pupils enrolled, that number being all for whom we have pledges. The change in the characters and conduct of the children for good is very encouraging. They excel in writing, drawing, and singing, but are deficient in mathematics and putting their ideas together in composition. Mrs. Stickney, at an entertainment at Thousand Island Park, raised more than one hundred dollars for painting the house. It is hoped that scholarships enough will be taken to increase our number of pupils to at least twenty-five.

The Indians need us. Just now we read of their outbreak in Minnesota. Whatever the fault of the Indian in this matter, according to Commissioner Jones, as quoted in the Chicago *Tribune*, it is the old, old story of removal, and white greed and injustice. But the speedy righting of the wrong in this case, under Commissioner Jones's inspection, gives still further promise of future justice and kindness to the Indians.

MRS. C. H. MCCABE, *Secretary.*

BUREAU FOR ALASKA.

LAST year I brought you joy and gladness, because of the steady development of our work in the Jesse Lee Home; the completion of our new building, with not a dollar of indebtedness upon it; the consecration of our devoted missionaries; the assistance given in the Home by the Government teachers, who board there, and who dwell in unity with the Home folks, were all pleasant features of our work.

This year I come emphasizing the above, and with rejoicing in the results. You have marveled at the intelligence of these samples of your beneficiaries; but if I could tell you the history of each one, and you could understand the "pit from whence they were digged," you would be more surprised. These children are *en route* to the Government school at Carlisle, Pa., where better facilities are obtained for their advancement. Six went there last year. I asked the superintendent of the girl's department, Miss Shaffner, these questions: These children have been under your supervision now over a year; what is your candid opinion about them? Does it pay to bring them here? How do they compare with others? What can I say to the people who have been supporting them? etc. In substance, the answers were: "Yes, it pays. They are doing well; far above the average. Their training before they came here was superior to most of those who come. They speak purer English; and those who have helped them thus far have done a good work. You, who have been helping, do not think your work accomplished, because your beneficiary has been promoted. Take another, for these places will all be filled by others who need it as much as they did."

Changes have come to us in various ways. First, our matron, Miss Sowle, came home in June, and on July 6th was united in marriage with Dr. Albert Newhall, of Stoneham, Mass., and instead of going to Africa, as was the original intention, Mr. Newhall returned with his wife to Unalasaka, and he became a Government teacher and physician to the Home. Since his arrival in Alaska, Bishop McCabe has appointed him as a local preacher, under the Missionary rule. The presiding elder, Rev. Mr. Larsen, has visited the Home, and comes back with changed ideas about our work, and is now sure we have expended wisely in erecting so substantial a building. He said, "I never thought much of the work there;" but now since his own eyes have seen, and he knows for himself, the needs, he is a friend in full sympathy. You can not appreciate, as your Committee can, the fact that in these days, when hundreds have visited our Home and spread the news about the work and the workers, the name of the Jesse Lee Home "is as ointment poured forth." Three hundred men have been in our service during the past winter; men who were there building boats for the Yukon trade, others who were stranded waiting for transportation; many of them weary and discouraged—homesick; away from all that was uplifting. And for hundreds of miles the only place of Protestant worship was in our "Eliza Jane Baker chapel."

Miss Mellor, the superintendent of the Government school, is home for this winter. She has done splendid work in her school, and while Miss Sowle was home this summer, took charge of the mission, and from all we can learn, proved a matron not to be ashamed of. Her sister, and assistant teacher in the school, Miss Ada, came East in August, and she, too, has married a minister. Each of these noble women has been a great success, and are just such stuff as missionaries are made of. Miss Mack, who has been among the Moravians up the Kuskokwim for six years, has taken Miss Mellor's place for the present. Dr. Newhall writes,

"We feel Miss Mack is sent of God." She is a valuable worker and splendid teacher. Mrs. Newhall and Miss Rinch are still our faithful missionaries ,and are battling against much opposition from the State Church of Russia.

We find there the baser element of those who drift to a new country, and a rampant liquor-traffic carried on in many places without molestation. Traders come in schooners with cargoes of whisky, labeled Catsup, Florida Water, Bay Rum, Pain Killer, Jamaica Ginger, Rubber Boots, Onions, Sugar, and numberless devices to avoid the prohibitory law. And under absolute prohibition the Government collects a license. The natives assimiliate sin as well as righteousness; sad it is, that sin doth much more abound. The Czar of Russia expends sixty thousand dollars annually in Alaska to pay the priesthood; more than all Protestant denominations in this country combined. The Græco-Russian Church is found in all the larger places. It is simply a Church of sterile forms and image-worship, and its adherents are as far from knowing what true religion is, as those who are in the inmost depths of pagan darkness. It seems to have no uplifting power. In many districts the people are nominally members of the Russian Church, but they are as far from Christ as those in the heathen portions of Alaska. When coupled with this the fact that Tom Paine's "Age of Reason" is called the "Yukon Bible," and, reasoning from cause to effect, must believe it to be true, does it not make it the more essential that we double our diligence?

Some one has with truth said: "The gold diggings in the region of the Yukon will draw a steady stream of capital and population in that direction for years to come, and every branch of Western trade and commerce will have the benefit of it." Our Alaskan Territory has already assumed an importance in the eyes of the commercial world not dreamed of three years ago, and its development as a mining region has only begun. Nearly half a century ago the prophetic eye of New York's foremost statesman, William H. Seward, foresaw the dazzling future. It seems almost as if he might have peered into the wonderful events of the present, when he said, from his seat in the Senate, that "The Pacific Ocean, its shores, its islands, and the vast region beyond will become the chief theater of events in the world's great hereafter." And now the air is full of "expansion," and as Bishop Tuttle, of Missouri, says: "We must fall into line at its bugle-blast, go forward to Hawaii and Porto Rico, and possess the land. To the Philippines, also, if the flag we love and honor is going to float there." And let us not tarry as we did in Alaska, but go before the old ways are adjusted. Our work is one of patience and of time. As soon as we can, we propose industrial pursuits for both boys and girls; shoemaking, curing hay (by means of silos), carpet-weaving, herding reindeer, etc. The Commercial Companies will give our boys the preference upon the Seal Islands, if they are prepared, as well upon other islands. We are expecting a dozen Esquimaux from the North, and others from the mainland next summer. These will be entirely virgin soil, and we feel more can be accomplished with these than with those who have been kept under the bondage of superstition. Yet we intend to do all we can for those on the Aleutian Chain. Especially are we anxious for moral and spiritual growth, that comes only with the spirit of "Him who went about doing good." We need your sympathy and your earnest soul-breathings to Him who always answers our sincere prayers for strength and wisdom, that the arduous efforts necessary to success may receive Divine approval. The great need now is a small Hospital,* and I am thankful that a conditional appropriation

*Since the above was written, I am happy to say, the General Board of Managers voted unanimously to appropriate $10.000 (conditioned upon its being raised) for a hospital, and $2,051 has been subscribed for this purpose. Help just a little.

adequate for this purpose has been granted. It would be a boon to the whole Aleutian Chain, as well as to the many travelers who come into the harbor and are often in need of medical or surgical attention. If I could impress upon you what it means in that country to have even a clean place to lie down in, your hearts would be stirred, and then the suffering that it would be the means of mitigating, I am sure your conscience would be quickened, and you feel under obligations to give a little toward accelerating this cause. Then the homes it would open to us, the good it would do in indirect and collateral lines can never be estimated.

MRS. ANNA F. BEILER, *Secretary.*

BUREAU FOR IMMIGRANTS.

THE work among the immigrants as they land upon our piers, dazed by their surroundings, unable to understand or to be understood, is one that calls for common sense and kind hearts in the workers. Added experience gives tact, and we are fortunate in having the same missionaries on our piers for several years. They are no ordinary women, and I stand in their presence and listen to their varied experiences with bated breath; and while I admire their keen and often adroit measures to sift iniquity and help the deluded, I thank God that he gives us the work and the consecrated workers. Immigration increased from January, 1898, to August, 1898, there landing in New York ten thousand more than in that time last year. It is still much less than formerly, having decreased since 1893. But our work is so much better understood, and the officials on the piers appreciate more and more our missionaries and the good work which they do, our Homes are better filled, and they each year have greater responsibilities.

No. 9 State Street, New York.

New York has made a great advance this year, and we rejoice in the increased facilities for work. Last May the Home was moved to a large, five-story, commodious house, at No. 9 State Street. It is located just opposite the Barge Office, where all the immigrants land, just the place for the Home. This change was a necessity. The old quarters have long been inadequate in size, and below our conception of what such a Home should be in sanitary arrangement and convenience every way. The present Home is a representative Home, and should be kept. Of course, the expense is largely increased; but the income is also increased and the magnitude of the work. As the "gateway of a Nation," it demands a larger outlay than we have thus far given it. Our missionary, Miss A. Matthews, has met this past year 808 steamers, averaging over two a day. There has landed 178,748 immigrants from June 30, 1897, to July 1, 1898. Of this number over four thousand were from England, over one thousand from Scotland, more than one thousand from Wales, and over seventeen thousand from Ireland; the balance from different nations, the Italian predominating, and being the leading nationality landing at this port. About three-fourths of all immigrants landing here are Catholics. The laws regulating immigration are about the same as for several years past. With the enlarged house, there has been an increase of inmates. Mrs. H. C. Waite, the superintendent, has done excellent work, and she and Miss Matthews are working harmoniously together for the same ends, and have seen fruit in the conversion of several girls in the Home. The field here is not measured by square feet. Hundreds of thousands of souls here every year may be helped to better, purer lives, or left to Satan's snares. They pass this way but once. Shall we falter, or give New York what it needs to carry forward this work?

STATISTICAL REPORT.

For the Year ending September 30, 1898.

No. 9 State Street, New York City.

Number of steamers met	808
Number of lodgings provided	3,004
Number of meals furnished	10,823
Number of women	165
Number of children	23
Number of Protestants	186
Number of Catholics	3
Number of nations represented	12
Number of situations secured	39
Number of letters and postals written	541
Number of telegrams sent	54
Number of girls sent to friends	94

72 and 74 Marginal Street, East Boston, Mass.

Our workers in this Home, Mrs. A. C. Clark, missionary and superintendent, and Miss Lillian Huff, assistant, have been in labors abundant all the year. The former, on the piers, has met the fifty-four incoming steamers. She has also been untiring in her work in the Home, and there, with the help of Miss Huff, much grand work has been done for the Master. Among the 557 cared for, there have been many cases of special interest,—husbands and fathers in two instances, with helpless, motherless children; the mother in one case dying on the passage, and in the other, soon after her arrival. These were aided and cheered in their great distress. Girls, sick and dying, have been buried from our chapel. Three happy brides have also gone out from the chapel to homes of their own—girls who had been sheltered in the Home when landing years before, Mrs. Clark's deft fingers arraying both for the bridal and for the tomb. Religious meetings for the Swedes are still held Sundays and evenings in this chapel, with good results. The sewing-class of sixty young girls of different nationalities, with Miss Huff as assistant, is a great success. They have a picnic every year, and free rides occasionally, the gift of some Auxiliary. There have been 472 free lodgings and 1,931 free meals given during the year. Christmas and Thanksgiving Festivals, that made seventy-five and fifty joyous hearts, were the gift of Auxiliaries. Tracts and other literature have been freely distributed, and also much clothing among the poor outside and surrounding the Home. Much misery and distress has been alleviated among these people. A family of six children kept in day and Sunday school during the year. The sick and dying have been visited and helped. Last May the tenth anniversary of immigrant work in this city was celebrated, Mrs. Clark, in addition to her many cares, planning a sale and a public meeting in the chapel. The Home was in most perfect order, inside painting and papering and outside painting having been done, and all expenses paid by Mrs. Clark, who solicited the funds, $224, mostly from outside friends and those who had been recipients of blessing in the Home. A flag, sixteen by eight and one-half feet, was flung to the breeze amid shouts and whistle-blowing—the flag a gift from one of the trustees of the Home, Mr. A. R. Whittier. A widow and three children have been sent to their native land; one girl rescued from a life of shame. This is a skeleton sketch only of the various kinds of work done in this Home. Showers of blessing are constantly

falling, and the workers have much to cheer their hearts amid their very toilsome days and nights of service. The following statistics are for the year ending September 30, 1898:

Number of steamers met	54
Number of lodgings provided	2,558
Number of meals furnished	9,636
Number of women	338
Number of children	60
Number of men	159
Number of Protestants	487
Number of Catholics	73
Number of nations represented	11
Number of situations secured	29
Number of tracts and papers distributed	4,749
Number of letters and postals written	486
Number of telegrams sent	15
Number of girls sent to friends	48
Number of calls made	38

Irish leading nationality.

Philadelphia Immigrant Work.

The Immigrant Home in this city was given up in the early part of the year. Its location was not what was desired, neither was the building adapted to the work. The Conference Society enlarged their deaconess work at considerable expense, and consequently did not feel able to purchase a new Home at present. The work on the piers has been done, however, and a deaconess has met all incoming steamers. The bewildered traveler has been directed to good quarters and to friends. Some who had no friends to care for them, and unable to pay for themselves, have been lodged and fed at the expense of the ladies until arrangements could be made for their care and support. Evening classes have been held, and much good work done. Quite a good deal of money has been paid for families in distressed circumstances, and our Philadelphia ladies have a warm heart towards the immigrant, and not far in the future we expect the work will be again fully taken up, and a Home purchased. A large number of Hungarians and Russian and Polish Jews have landed there this year, and they are a hard class to help. The statistical report seems very meager compared with past years, but figures can not tell the good work done.

STATISTICS FOR PHILADELPHIA, PA.

For the Year ending June 30, 1898.

Number of steamers met	64
Number of meals furnished	9
Number of situations secured	2
Number of Bibles and Testaments given	1,124
Number of postals and letters written	16
Number of telegrams sent	49
Number of persons aided	14
Number of persons sent to friends	6

MRS. G. W. MANSFIELD, *Secretary.*

MOTHERS' JEWELS HOME.

(York, Nebraska.)

GOD has graciously blessed Mothers' Jewels Home this year with prosperity and abundant harvests. Prompt remittances from General Treasury have been most helpful.

For the second time since its establishment death has broken the ranks. Dear Mabel, who eight years ago came to the Home a delicate child, was transplanted in early May to the realm of the blessed, where the inhabitants never say, I am sick. Two months later, Mrs. C. A. Marine, the boys' governess, beloved by all, and for several years counted indispensable to the work, was called from labors abundant to her heavenly reward. Through the rifts of these death-shadows we catch the glad music of the redeemed, who praise and adore Him who called us to "rescue the perishing."

There has been more or less severe illness among adults and a score or more of the children during the winter and early spring. We are happy to report that health again reigns triumphant.

One of our Home boys—Roy Ray Johnston—responded to our country's call for volunteers, and was accepted. His physical examination was the best of any in his company. The physician said it was because he never used tobacco or intoxicants. He went to Camp Chickamauga, returning without seeing a sick day. He is now clerking in a mercantile establishment in Nebraska City.

Della (who has been eight years in the Home) and Alice, who a year or two since was rescued from the quicksands of overwhelming temptation, but now most consecrated girls, are in the Omaha Hospital, hoping to be nurse-deaconesses when older. One is assistant teacher in the Home school, and is doing well. Another is the Home stenographer, and doing valuable service in other departments as she has time. One is caring for her invalid mother. Ivan Penkoff, our Alaskan boy, is happy and useful, and promises to fulfill our expectations.

All below the sixth grade attend the Home school, which numbers fifty scholars. The remainder attend the town schools.

Children in the Home October 1, 1897	55
Received during the year	44
Placed in private homes	29
Remaining in Home October 1, 1898	70

Thanksgiving and Fourth of July were made festive by appropriate exercises and good cheer. Those formerly children in the Home, but now in business or in adopted homes, come trooping home for these occasions.

Words of appreciation from Bishop Ninde, Dr. Leonard, the Nebraska Conferences, and others visiting the Home, have greatly cheered the hearts of those in charge.

The Board of Trustees approved changing the name of what was formerly called the New Dormitory to that of MAIN BUILDING.

We had fully expected to have had in place before this meeting the memorial windows, plates, and tablets, memorializing as ordered by those having paid the requisite amounts for naming memorial windows, rooms, and doors. Unavoidable hindrances have delayed the completion of this work, although it is well under way, and the two hundred dollars appropriated for this expense is in hand.

We bespeak for our little *Quarterly Greetings* the kindly consideration and support of all. We hope to improve by experience.

We learn that there is no other Protestant Home where children may

be boarded for a little time, and then returned to parents. Ours has been regarded as most humane, as well as superior in advantages given. Many are enabled to hold positions to earn a livelihood for their families, because their little ones are thus provided for.

Our girls have advantages of industrial training, such as cooking and all kinds of housework, sewing, dressmaking, etc. We are looking forward to adding industrial training for our boys in carpenter's, blacksmith's, harnessmaker's, and shoemaker's trades, fast as friends can be found to donate for this purpose. Much is expected from our "Farmers' Lend-a-hand Brigade" plan, which the assistant chairman has devised.

Mrs. Spurlock and Mrs. Woodcock have conducted to gratifying success the Mothers' Jewels Home alcove in the Nebraska Building of the Trans-Mississippi Exposition in Omaha.

I should not be just were I not to give highest tribute to the untiring, self-sacrificing, and wise services of Mr. and Mrs. Spurlock and Miss Middaugh, who have done so nobly themselves, and supervised their five regular helpers. Each of these helpers is worthy of personal mention. They are indeed demonstrating the practicability, and recognize rich results of "applied Christianity" for Love of Christ and in His Name.

MRS. J. P. NEGUS, *Chairman of Committee.*

GLENN INDUSTRIAL HOME.

(Cincinnati, Ohio.)

GLENN INDUSTRIAL HOME, 641 West Fourth Street, has closed the seventh year of its history. The outlook never was so bright as now, the entire indebtedness on the building having been paid off, and the Home being renovated from attic to cellar.

Every room has been occupied during the year with missionaries and workers, or with young women who have sought the shelter of a Christian home during their sojourn in the city. Thirty young people have made their home with us at some time during the year. We are thus following the plan of the Young Women's Christian Association in this department of our work.

The workers at the beginning of the year consisted of Mrs. D. E. Taylor, superintendent; Mrs. R. E. Stone—who gave a year's work gratuitously to the Home—assistant; Mrs. Allison, superintendent of Missions; Miss Feakins, missionary; Miss Lingkenfelter and Miss Wolfer, kindergartners. Two more missionaries were added during the year, Miss Bassett and Miss Morris; one kindergartner, Miss E. Reed, in charge of our new kindergarten at Riverside; Mr. Chester Mathewson, technical teacher. Mrs. Robert Clement, Mrs. Woodruff, and Mrs. De Hart have weekly aided the missionaries with the industrial work.

The same departments of work have been carried on as heretofore.

RELIGIOUS.

The Sunday-school was held regularly each Sabbath morning, one hundred and fourteen pupils being enrolled. Mrs. Allison says: "The interest has been intense, teaching has been a joy, and we have felt it a privilege to tell the 'old, old story' to eager listeners."

Evangelistic services were held each Thursday evening. The attendance has been spasmodic, sometimes the missionaries being greeted with a full house, at other times only ten or twelve having gathered. The interest, however, has never died out, and the meetings have been a blessing to many sin-sick souls.

We have to deal with a transient population. Many of our people, after conversion, are so perceptibly elevated in their tastes and aims that they are no longer content to have their children associate familiarly with street waifs, nor the saloon, with its pernicious influence, near at hand; so they seek a more inviting neighborhood, and we lose them. Though our missionaries miss their support and sympathy, they cheerfully go out into the "byways" in search of other straying ones; for this is the object of our work—the elevation of our neglected neighbors, for whom Christ died.

THE EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT

Consists of three kindergartens: One held in the spacious assembly-room at Glenn Home; another situated at our Mission, corner of Front and Fifth Streets; and the third at Riverside. Our kindergartners are earnest Christian women, who strive for the spiritual development of the child, as well as the physical and mental. One hundred and fifty precious little ones are under their loving training, and we feel assured that their lives will be influenced for good by the ideals set before them in childhood.

THE INDUSTRIAL DEPARTMENT

Provides a sewing-school for younger girls, with an attendance of seventy-five. The quantity and quality of their work have been gratifying. This class has made twenty-five iron-holders and several dozen complete suits for dolls. The dolls were the gift of one of the members of the Board, and as each child could become the happy possessor of one of them as soon as its trousseau was completed, the interest never flagged!

The older girls have learned plain sewing and knitting, while the forty young women, who have given their sewing-class the dignified name of "The Young Ladies' Industry Club," have met twice a week, and have completed twenty-five purses, twelve pairs of slippers, forty-five gingham aprons, twenty-six white skirts, and nineteen dresses, besides doing some Kensington embroidery under the instruction of Mrs. Stone.

Sixty girls have been in attendance upon the kitchengarten classes. They have learned by experience that one can be happy, even merry, in the performance of household duties. They sing:

"Within our mission school-house,
In a bright and sunny room,
We girls are taught to wash and scrub,
And how to use the broom."

Could we teach the vast difference between housekeeping and home-making to the women of the next century, we would do much towards the salvation of the Nation.

Twenty-five boys have met in the technical class twice a week at the Mission. Mr. Mathewson succeeded in winning the respect and esteem of the boys, and many happy, instructive hours were passed in the "carpenter-shop." No opportunity was lost in impressing upon them that, as they were permitted to follow in the footsteps of the "Carpenter of Nazareth," so also it was their privilege and duty to imitate his purity of heart and life.

Twenty-five dollars worth of tools was the gift of one of the members of the Board to this class.

In the early part of the year a music class was opened, under the direction of Mrs. Allison. Twelve girls were instructed on the piano for a small sum per lesson. While encouraging the study of music as a

Christianizing and refining influence in the home, the money received aided our industrial work. The class was soon given to one of the young ladies who makes her home with us, and who has chosen music as her life-work.

MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT.

We thoroughly believe in the ministry of *work* at Glenn Home, and no one comes under our influence who is not given the joy of loving service for others. Hence, our women and children are organized into *Auxiliaries* and *Bands* of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

The Glenn Home Auxiliary met each week, and learned something about the missionary work carried on by the women of our Church, and did what they could to help them.

This Auxiliary, of twenty-five members, by much self-sacrifice, paid one dollar apiece as yearly dues, gave a thank-offering of one dollar, paid five dollars to the Emergency Fund, making a total of thirty-three dollars and seventy-seven cents. Will they not receive the "well-done" of the Master?

The children call their Missionary Band "The Willing Hearts." Do they not put many of the children from wealthy homes to shame by their enthusiastic labors for the missionary cause?

These twenty-five children of our mission families met weekly during the year, and have given one dollar as Thank-offering, five dollars to the Emergency Fund, and six dollars and twenty-five cents toward Sunday-school supplies and current expenses of the Mission.

Sixty of the babies have given ten cents each towards "The Mothers' Jewels Home" at York, Nebraska.

The Church will never call in vain for missionaries while this practical training is given the children.

The mothers of the children of each of our kindergartens have been formed into Mothers' Clubs. While receiving much instruction themselves, they have lent a helping hand. The Pine Street Club raised $7.75 cash, and did much local missionary work.

The mothers at Riverside have been most enthusiastic in raising funds for defraying a portion of the expense of their kindergarten.

Miss Feakins has been an acceptable weekly visitor at the City Hospital. Several have professed conversion through her earnest labors. Several thousand visits have been made among the poor. Clothing and food have been given, though only to the destitute. The sick and dying have been comforted by the tender ministrations of the missionaries, the dead have been prepared for burial, and the sorrowing have had the sweet name of Jesus whispered in their ears.

Quarterly sales have been held, where clothing has been purchased for trifling sums. The Woman's Home Missionary Society desires to inculcate self-helpfulness, and believes it is better for our people to be buyers than beneficiaries.

THE SOCIAL DEPARTMENT

Has been somewhat neglected, simply because the missionaries have been overwhelmed with work which demanded immediate attention. Two social evenings, however, were spent at Riverside. At Glenn Home and at the Mission, Christmas and Washington's birthday were celebrated. The Rainbow Fête, a Children's Cantata, was given, and Saturday, June 11th, is memorable as the day of our excursion and picnic.

As Glenn Home is the special work of the Cincinnati Conference of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, we are desirous of receiving a gift from each Auxiliary, Circle, and Band each year for its support.

Clothing, groceries, and supplies of all kinds, are constantly needed; but we would particularly ask, as thank-offerings and special gifts, money to meet the salaries of the missionaries. The missionaries come to us with the self-sacrificing spirit, and receive only eight, ten, or twelve dollars per month, including board and laundry; kindergartners, twenty dollars. We wish to increase the number of workers. Will you not help us to do so?

The Treasurer reports receipts, $2,197.90; disbursements, $2,090.63; balance on hand, $107.27.

Thanking each individual, Auxiliary, Circle, and Band for generous gifts of money and supplies, which have enabled us to carry on the work during the year, and bespeaking your prayers and interest during the coming year, We are respectfully,

MRS. I. D. JONES, *Chairman.*
MRS. R. DYMOND, *Vice-Chairman.*
MRS. J. H. CHAS. SMITH, *Secretary.*
MRS. GEO. H. THOMPSON, *Treasurer.*

ELIZABETH E. MARCY HOME.

(Newberry Avenue, Chicago, Ill.)

THE compass of our yearly report gives but small space for details. We can only hint at what we are doing, and planning to do.

The following schedule of daily exercises gives an outline of the work that is carried on at the Home, and will suggest what can not be accurately portrayed: the busy scenes enacted at certain hours when throughout the house several occupations are in operation at the same time.

Marcy Home Bulletin.

Monday.—4-5 P. M., Girls' Circle, Miss Hall.
7-9 P. M., Boys' Basket Weaving, Miss Stacks.
Tuesday.—4-5 P. M., Girls' Circle, Miss Hall.
7-9 P. M., Boys' Sloyd, Mr. Avery.
Wednesday.—3-4 P. M., Dispensary, Dr. Richards.
7-9 P. M., Girls' Gymnasium, Miss Cleveland.
7-9 P. M., Cooking, Miss Willard.
7-9 P. M., Dressmaking, Miss Hall.
7-9 P. M., Embroidery, Miss Wallace.
Thursday.—4-5 P. M., Kitchengarden, Miss Mills.
7.30-9 P. M., Bible Study, Miss Fowler.
Friday.—3.30-6 P. M., Piano Lessons, Miss Collins.
6.30-8 P. M., Piano Lessons, Miss Collins.
8-9 P. M., Choral Class, Miss Collins.
7-9 P. M., Boys' Gymnasium, Mr. Avery.
Saturday.—8.30-12 M., Piano Lessons, Miss Collins.
1.30-3 P. M., Sewing-school, Miss Whitehead.
3-4 P. M., Dispensary, Dr. Hayner.
7-9 P. M., Drawing, Mr. De Bra.
Sunday.—2.30 P. M., Sunday-school.
7.30 P. M., Preaching, Rev. H. R. De Bra.

Kindergarten every school-day, 9 A. M., to 12 M., Miss Snyder, Director.

Dressmaking Class No. 2 on Tuesday evening, Miss Hall.

Library open Tuesday and Friday, 3.30 to 5 P. M.; Tuesday and Wednesday, 9 P. M.

Calling done every day, when possible.

This schedule of occupations also indicates our ultimate purpose concerning the development of our work. It will be seen that we seek to strengthen the body, develop skill, and cultivate the mind and heart.

"The destruction of the poor is their poverty." Their salvation lies in the fact that we can furnish the training—mental and moral stimulus, with dexterity of hand—that will fit them for successful effort. We help them, not by what we give, but by the skill and strength of purpose that we impart; and so in every opening avenue we are applying this principle—helping them to help themselves.

To this end all our work is carried on in reference to careful, patient execution, rather than the accomplishment of immediate results in a finished product.

Social and labor questions largely affect people uncomfortably crowded in the close quarters of our great cities. They see things at short range. A leading purpose of our work is to create the sentiment of the dignity of labor. Our household economics are all arranged upon this plan.

Changes have been made in regard to public religious services during the year. Up to the close of the Conference year (October, 1898), one service for aged people was held in the Bohemian tongue. That is now discontinued, and all our work is carried on in English, and no distinction of nationality is observed. Our pastor is appointed by the Conference, a man full of energy and devotion to his work. He is in part supported by the City Missionary Society. There are already some conversions, and a growing interest.

We have a flourishing Junior League, under an experienced leader. Our Sunday-school, that has always occupied a prominent place, is still prosperous, numbering one hundred and fifty, and in deportment is a model school. Two afternoons of each week are given to the Dispensary. Through this means much sickness and misery are alleviated. Pitiful cases of suffering and need, aggravated to a degree possible only under such conditions as are found in the tenement quarters of our great cities, come under our observation, in connection with the work of the Dispensary. Heart-breaking incidents are of frequent occurrence, and tax the strength and fidelity of our faithful visitors, one of whose most necessary offices has been to find hospital care for the sick, and an asylum for their helpless children. This very indispensable part of our work is mainly equipped and supported by one of our enterprising Auxiliaries.

Besides our four capable and efficient resident workers, there are fifteen others who carry on or assist in the different departments, most of whose service is gratuitous, or for a trivial compensation. We are under great obligations to these for their self-sacrificing labor in the classes, as well as to all who have contributed during the year to occasional entertainments. Space forbids enumeration. They are all gratefully remembered.

Miss Whitehead is still with us in unswerving devotion to her sewing class that she carried through the last year, and Miss Cleveland, a competent instructor in gymnastics, is doing a good work for the girls. Instruction in these two classes, while of the highest order, is wholly gratuitous.

A strenuous effort will be made this year to remove the remaining indebtedness on the building. This will leave the property free from all incumbrance, and admit of further enlargement of our plans.

E. E. MARCY, *Chairman.*

WATTS DE PEYSTER INDUSTRIAL HOME AND SCHOOL FOR GIRLS.

(Tivoli, New York.)

EACH year of its existence "Watts de Peyster Home" has increased in usefulness and prosperity. The year just past has been no exception, for we gratefully bring to this Annual Meeting the very best results ever presented, because of the addition of many new friends who have been most generous in their gifts, and the continued faithful giving of our older friends. The new workers, who came to the Home in March, have proven themselves both enthusiastic and competent in their several departments. Rev. and Mrs. E. R. Ackerly, the superintendents, though new to the work, have developed a decided talent in the direction of making a real home for our girls. The educational and industrial training are carried on in a most painstaking and satisfactory manner by Miss Schreder and Miss Feroe, supplemented by Miss Darling, who has given excellent service in primary and kindergarten work among our little folks the past four months. We now have a family of fifty-five girls, the youngest three years of age and the oldest sixteen, each with some responsibility of work suited to their age and strength. Through the generosity of friends on Founder's-day, we were enabled to put up shades to the windows, iron gates and posts to our carriage entrance. A new floor has been laid in the laundry, and a new stove put in. One of our Committee has most royally met the expenses of renovating our school-room at a cost of $167, besides furnishing it with the best approved desks, etc. We now have one of the finest schoolrooms in the country. We have also the promise of thirteen barrels of flour.

General de Peyster, our benefactor, has furnished a room, putting in four beds complete, four chairs, rugs, and curtains. The beneficiary money received has greatly exceeded the promises, and the members of Auxiliaries and Circles who have taken girls to clothe is large. Packages and barrels containing the very best of material have made glad the hearts of the workers. One gift of one hundred new sheets is deserving of mention. The interest the Home has created in its immediate locality is beautifully shown by the ladies coming to the Home once a week, and spending the afternoon in sewing for the girls. In March, nine of our girls joined the local Church on probation and six in full connection, while the general religious experience of all in the Home is beautifully illustrated in every-day life. The health of the family has been uniformly good. Among our regrets was the enforced resignation of Mrs. James M. King, as Chairman of the Committee, on account of illness, at the beginning of the current year. Though we are deprived of her presence, we still have her sympathy and interest. God has been good to us, and to him be all the glory.

Respectfully submitted.

MRS. F. C. MORGAN, *Chairman of Committee.*

BUREAU FOR DEACONESS WORK.

THE Deaconess Bureau of the Woman's Home Missionary Society is a plant of vigorous growth. It strikes root deeper, it throws out its branches more widely, it extends its summit higher toward heaven year by year, enriched by the loving sympathy of all the good women of our Society, watered by the dew of constant prayer, and fanned by the fostering winds of God's good providence.

We come to you again with our general report of the work of another year, with two new Homes to present. Jersey City, the daughter of the Newark Conference, was just coming into existence as we met a year ago. Denver, in a quiet way, in October, 1897, opened a Home, with Miss Briggs, from Salt Lake City, as its first deaconess and superintendent. Toil, self-denial, and faith are making a prosperous work in Denver.

The 1st of September, 1898, a small Home opened in Wichita. Miss Hicks, from the last class at Washington, and Miss Beal, from the Buffalo Home, that generous foster-mother of so many Homes, went there. Already this new Home is winning its spurs of achievement. Although so short a time with us, it has sent a student for training to Washington, with her expenses guaranteed.

In the spring, Miss Jones, formerly of Syracuse, went to Glens Falls, N. Y. Miss Wallace, of the Washington school, has gone to the Marcy Home in Chicago. Miss Thornborough is still acting as the deaconess superintendent at Kent Home. In Jackson, Mich., San Diego and Pasadena, Cal., special deaconesses connected with our Homes have served, as also in Paterson and Camden, N. J., Shamokin, and Mt. Carmel, and some other places. We continue to have many more calls for workers than we have trained workers to fill these places. But the special and urgent need is for women of experience and education, who shall be prepared to take places of responsibility; in other words, we want leaders, those who, having the inborn gift of influencing others, shall cultivate and consecrate this gift to Christ's service.

As an illustration of this need, we report that one of our Homes has remained without a superintendent for over five years, and during this last year six centers of deaconess work, some of them positions of large importance, have remained unfilled, lacking suitable workers.

The results accomplished by Miss Bancroft, who for the last six months has served as the Field Secretary of the Deaconess Bureau, demonstrate what one woman can do who gives conscientious devotion to this work. Miss Bancroft is the Preceptress and Professor of English at Albion College, but has obtained leave of absence from her college duties for a year and a term, to give herself to this work. The Secretary of the Bureau has, for the last two years, maintained that it was a vital necessity for our large and growing work, amid new conditions, in a new field, where there are no settled lines of procedure, to have some one go from Home to Home, get acquainted with the workers, study their fitness and the kinds of work, so as to know when changes are necessary, and what to recommend. Otherwise we are a loose, disjointed mass, with no coherence or close union. It was also said that such an officer should go to the large District Epworth League Conventions, to especially impress our work on the Mercy and Help Department, attend Chautauqua Assemblies and other important Conventions, and also should form an important part of our National Training-school work, and have voice and influence in its management.

Miss Bancroft has now been with us six months. During that time

she has visited all of our Deaconess Homes east of Denver, become acquainted with their workers, and made over one hundred formal addresses, besides many parlor meetings and informal speeches in the Conferences and States where these Homes are located.

The Deaconess Bureau is already having its work lightened in stationing the deaconesses, as the Field Secretary, knowing the workers personally, has been able to give many valuable suggestions about work and workers.

Naturally, when visiting the Homes and working with the deaconesses, there was no opportunity to collect money, neither at Epworth meetings nor at Conventions, where special soliciting is not permitted; but in these six months she has obtained, in one way or another, about $1,400 in money or pledges. She has also talked with people of means about future gifts and remembrances in wills. This is in addition to the great work of a Field Secretary, which is to quicken the interest and faith of our workers, unify the work, and prepare for its inevitable growth.

I have spoken more at length on the subject of a Field Secretary, because this experiment is a new one, and should be carefully considered. The residence of the Field Secretary at the National Training-school for a portion of the year, giving lectures to the students and studying the institution with reference to the entire general interests of the work throughout the United States, will tend to keep the institution in closer touch with the general work.

Since September 1st Miss Ida May Durham has served as the "Deaconess-at-Large" of the Bureau, aiding in evangelistic services, speaking to our people, and generally stirring hearts with love to God and our fellow-men—our brothers and sisters in need.

At one meeting, held in a State I will not mention, an aged brother, with wife and no children, came to Miss Durham to arrange for bequeathing his property, valued at about six thousand dollars, to the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

There is one cause that rests heavily upon our heart, and that is "our National Training-school at Washington." We are prospering there; we have more students than ever before; the Methodist ministers of Washington are grandly and generously giving us lectures and aid. Dr. Ames is assisted in his noble work by a devoted Board of helpers in the local Board of Management. But this is not enough. We need a larger library, more resident teachers, and, above all, we need a suitable building, such as you planned for one year ago, but which is not yet begun. We have, however, now secured most desirable land in close vicinity to our present buildings. May every Auxiliary of the Society prayerfully dedicate some sum, small or large, to our longed-for Rust Hall!

Beside the Training-school at Washington, we have an admirable Training-school in Brooklyn, a smaller one in Grand Rapids, a large and thrifty one in San Francisco. This one on the Pacific Coast should be especially cherished and aided by the Home Missionary Society, as is becoming one in that land of the great future. In the time to come the Woman's Home Missionary Society should also have a Training-school in the Middle Central States. We find it most important to have workers who are trained in broad sympathy with all the many-sided work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

We commend to you, too, our Hospital for practice—Sibley Hospital—which is opening again this fall with good promise. Miss Aikens, who is the director, comes to us from a Methodist family in Canada; her brother a Mehodist minister, she a graduate of a Canadian institution for nurses, and having also taken an additional course at the Polyclinic Hospital in New York. We feel that we are well equipped for the training

of nurse-deaconesses, and this brings us to the larger subject of hospitals everywhere.

Our Woman's Home Missionary Society, in its local work, can well foster hospitals. In its deaconess work, I trust it will be owning very many before another decade passes. There is no better way to preach the gospel among the children of toil and sorrow in any large city; no better way to arrest the attention of careless and Christless people of all classes; no better way to come close home to the heart of humankind, than through the loving ministerings given in the sick-room. Here the deaconess can minister to the poor and rich, and lead them also to see that there are no riches like those that are invested in the bank of heaven; that there is no object so important as preparing for the great eternity beyond.

Deaconesses who are engaged in all these labors must have times of exhaustion, and necessarily need a rest that comes of entire change and cessation from labor. It is gratifying to state that the most beautiful Rest Home for Deaconesses that exists in America to-day is located at Ocean Grove, N. J., and is owned by the Woman's Home Missionary Society. Here this last year over one hundred and forty missionaries, deaconesses, and Christian friends were entertained at this seaside resort. The lectures and devotional meetings, the inspiring sermons and assemblies, all that compose the great program of Ocean Grove during the summer, make this an ideal resting-place for tired Christian workers.

There are now nineteen Homes, either rented or owned by the Society. There are besides about ten places where deaconesses are stationed, working separately. When this work was begun by our Society nine years ago this autumn we owned no property, and we had to borrow workers. Our Homes now represent $216,101.79 worth of property, and we have one hundred and eighty-eight deaconesses.

The work of the Deaconess Bureau comprises about one-half the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. Most of the expenses are locally met. The administrative work of the Bureau has assumed large proportions. It is conducted, however, on most economical lines, and requires scarcely as much for its support as any one of our separate institutions. We find this work becoming essentially a part of our system. We desire to cherish it, to strengthen it, and in every way to give it the full force of our united sympathies. We call it deaconess work; but it is only one part of the great mission work to which Christ, when he left, called the entire world. When he gave his divine message, "Go ye forth into all the world and preach the gospel unto every creature," he did not fail to add what was so important, "beginning first at Jerusalem," making sure that home duties were not neglected.

Lucy Webb Hayes National Training-School,

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In reporting the work of the National Training-school for the past year, I wish to express my cordial appreciation of the services of Miss Rogers, our preceptress, and of Miss Wilson, our resident teacher. To their faithful and efficient co-operation with me the harmony and success which have attended the year are greatly due. To the non-resident members of the Faculty, who have voluntarily given their time and their abilities to the instruction of the school, the Woman's Home Missionary Society is under a heavy debt of obligation.

At our Commencement services in May last thirteen students were graduated. This was the largest graduating class ever reported in our history. Of this number, seven are deaconesses on probation. They have been assigned to Homes as follows: One each to Jersey City, Cleveland, Wichita, Salt Lake City, Urbana, Chicago, and Des Moines. Of the remainder of the class, four are directly in the service of the Society—one is at Kent Home, one in the Medical Mission in Boston, one is matron of our insitution, and one returns to us for nurse-training in Sibley Hospital. Another is doing local mission work under direction of our Board. Twelve therefore of the thirteen are serving the Woman's Home Missionary Society in some form.

The special features of the past year's work which I wish to note are these:

1. The school year has been lengthened by three weeks. It opened October 1st, and will continue until May 31st. This will divide the year

into three terms of nearly equal length, will make the courses of lectures more uniform, and will secure greater thoroughness of instruction, while allowing students more time for recreation and outside mission work.

2. Greater emphasis has been laid upon Bible-readings. They have been woven into the regular work of the classes, and are subject to marking.

3. Industrial work was added to our course of teaching, Mrs. Polkinghorn, of Washington, an experienced teacher, having conducted the sewing-class. Business methods were also taught by Mrs. Spencer, of the Spencerian Business College, who put the appliances of the college at our service.

4. The very important department of Domestic Science and Kitchen-gardening has been inaugurated. Miss Jessie Cathcart, of New York, has been called to take charge of this work. This supplies a very important part of deaconess instruction, the need of which has been long felt.

5. The debt resting upon Sibley Hospital has been canceled, and efficient and economical methods have been adopted, that promise to make the Hospital of greater value to our nurse-deaconesses than ever before. The Hospital is not a local, but a national institution, and justly deserves the partial support of the Society. Miss C. A. Aikens, a regular nurse graduate, has been chosen as director, and has begun her work most acceptably.

6. Our non-resident, as well as resident, Faculty has been enlarged and more thoroughly organized. The curriculum of the school is more comprehensive than ever, and is not excelled by that of any similar institution.

7. A system has been inaugurated by which those whose previous education and present culture will justify it may be enabled to enter our advanced class, and be thus sooner fitted for the work of the Society. This system will, however, be most jealously guarded, that the standard of thoroughness shall be in nowise lowered.

8. Provision has also been made for partial and special courses of study, in order to fit candidates who wish to pursue special lines of work. A short course for superintendents has been planned, and is now being prepared. This system, too, will be carefully watched. It is the purpose of the school to furnish deaconesses and missionaries who shall be symmetrical in their development, and be ready to enter any field in which their services may be needed.

9. There has been a perceptible growth of a school and class spirit. The students are feeling a greater attachment to their Alma Mater, and a stronger interest in its reputation and character.

10. Much practical work has been done. Besides the thousands of visits which the students have made, they have also conducted seven mission kindergartens, three Industrial Schools, two Loyal Temperance Legions, and have aided most of the Churches of the city in Epworth and Junior League work.

The year has been the best and most fruitful in its history. We have been much aided in our work by Professor Henrietta A. Bancroft, Field Secretary of the Deaconess Bureau, whose wise counsel and varied experience in educational work have been of especial value to us. She has given several important and interesting lectures to the school, and promises to continue her efficient help.

Of the needs of the school, the most pressing is the one which has been felt in the past, but has now become urgent, the necessity for enlarged buildings. One-half of our students are lodged outside our school building. Besides the annex and the Hospital building, which was and is utilized for the accommodation of our nurse students, an additional house

has been rented, and yet these are not sufficient. Hitherto we have maintained the family life by gathering our pupils together at a common table.

The prospects of the school for the coming year are the brightest in our experience. Applications for admission have been more numerous than ever before, and the proportion of those who have previously had good educational advantages is larger. The inducements to enter the deaconess life are not as yet sufficiently great to make too great demands in this direction. But I hope the minds of the more cultivated and educated of our young women are being gradually turned toward this life.

There are over fifty students now in the school, while the day-pupils number twelve.

There are in our land many young women who earnestly desire to be deaconesses and to receive the necessary training, and who give promise of becoming very efficient workers for the Master, but who are not able to provide for their support while in school. The Woman's Home Missionary Society has twenty-five scholarships to meet such cases. We appeal for private contributions to enable us to admit all young women who are eager to devote their lives to Christ and the Church.

Forty students have professed their purpose to be deaconesses, and of this number ten signify their intention to be nurse-deaconesses.

I beg to express my thanks to the General Officers of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, to some of the co-operating Conference Managers of the school, and to our local Board, for their cordial support and aid, and especially to the Secretary of the Deaconess Bureau for her valuable suggestions, efficient help, and constant interest in all that concerns the welfare of the school, the comfort of its students, or the elevation of its standard.

Aldrich Memorial Deaconess Home and Training-School.

401 Lyon Street, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Mrs. W. J. ALDRICH, Superintendent.

(Report furnished by the Superintendent.)

The year just closing may truly be called an eventful year in our work. Our Training-school is no longer an experiment, but an established fact. The wisdom of the Board of Managers in opening the Training-school is shown, not only in the success of our initial year, but by the attention drawn toward us, and the commendation of the general public.

Our course of study is the same as in any training-school. Our Faculty are among the best minds in our own and sister Churches, as well as some of the best talent in our medical profession. Four young ladies graduated from Juniors to Seniors with great credit last year.

We have had three licensed deaconesses associated with the Superintendent this year, and three probationers. Miss Schenck began work at Second Street on Easter Sunday, but before one year had passed a more glorious Easter dawned for her. She rests with Christ, whom she loved and served so faithfully.

Miss Bell is still working among the needy of Jackson, Mich., and her report is included with the others of the Home. Miss Cummings has just been transferred to Division Street Church, by invitation of their Official Board.

The new year's Training-school has opened with double last year's attendance. The need of workers is great; our Home is roomy, and we hope it may be filled to overflowing with young life, consecrated to the Master's work.

Baltimore.

708 West Lombard Street.

Miss ANNIE LEIDIGH, Superintendent.

The year past has witnessed growth in our work under the wise management of our efficient Board and the earnest labors of our deaconesses, overshadowed by the blessing of our Heavenly Father.

The Home is on a good financial basis, free from debt, and in position to reach out for enlargement of its borders. Improvements have been made in the Home.

A building for deaconess work in connection with a Mission Church was completed and paid for, which cost $1,200. Besides this, one hundred and fifty dollars was sent to the Bancroft Rest Home for the furnishing of a Baltimore room.

During the year ten workers have been maintained in the Home. There are two flourishing kindergartens, in which one hundred and forty-six little ones were enrolled. These schools are in districts where their influence is greatly needed, one school being entirely composed of Bohemian children, the larger part of whom could not speak a word of English when they first entered the school.

Five sewing-schools, one in the Bohemian district, one for Polish Jews and other foreigners, one composed of colored girls, the other two in congested districts, were each of them centers of Christian influence and moral education.

A Boys' Social Club, made up largely of Hebrew, Irish, and German elements, was an interesting feature of our work. We are looking forward to its enlargement along educational and industrial lines.

A Mothers' Meeting has been conducted, which was a great means of blessing to the neighborhood in which it was established. More than fifty mothers attended, and many testified that it was the one bright spot in the week for them.

Our nurse has been a faithful minister, looking after the physical and spiritual comfort of many sick and suffering ones.

Arrangements are made by the Board of the Female House of Refuge for a deaconess to visit, counsel, and befriend the girls as they come out from under their jurisdiction, thus putting a Christian woman in touch with them at a time when they come under new and often evil influences.

Our deaconesses have the privilege of sending children to the country through the Fresh Air Society. Many little ones are thus given the opportunity to see God's beautiful world outside of city streets, and learn something of wholesome living, such as could never be had in their own homes.

Words of cheer, the prayer offered, and comforting messages from the Word of God, make the deaconess a welcome visitor in the hospital wards. All of our deaconesses engage in this branch of work, and general visiting to a greater or less extent.

We have had lectures given in the Home by city pastors—one each week; subjects—Bible and Church History, Rhetoric and Sociology. Besides this, two of our deaconesses gave weekly talks on Kindergarten Methods and Nursing.

The personal thought in the heart of each worker is service, looking forward to the time when this world will be all for Christ, and doing her little part to bring this about.

Bancroft Rest Home.

74 Cookman Avenue, Ocean Grove, N. J.

Mrs. ANNA KENT, President of Board.

For a number of years past a series of meetings has been held each season in the interest of the Woman's Home Missionary Society at Ocean Grove, N. J. Naturally these meetings called together many of the Home workers, as well as officers of the Society and missionaries from different fields.

The deaconess work having added largely to the number of workers who share in the care and sympathy of the Society, it seemed desirable to open a Home for summer rest at the Grove. Accordingly, in the summer of 1896, Rest Home for Missionaries and Deaconesses was opened in a rented house at Ocean Grove, N. J., largely through the persevering zeal and efforts of Mrs. Anna Kent and Mrs. W. F. Day.

In August, 1897, the Committee in charge called a meeting of interested women, and a Board of Management was organized, a Constitution adopted, and officers elected.

At the close of the season lots and cottages, Nos. 72 and 74 Cookman Avenue, Ocean Grove, became the property of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. A gift of one thousand dollars of the estimated value of this property entitled it to take the name of "Bancroft Rest Home" for Missionaries and Deaconesses. An addition of considerable size has been made to the larger of the cottages, so that there are now available twenty-four bright, airy sleeping-rooms. Friends of the cause have aided the Building Fund by naming rooms at one hundred dollars each, others by furnishing rooms at fifty dollars each. About one-fourth of the needed money has been pledged in this way. The house has been tastefully furnished.

The Home was dedicated on the eighteenth birthday of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. In the address by Rev. George Elliott, D. D., he said: "The religious feeling is deeper which offers such a place as this to God, than that which builds a temple."

A statement of the origin of the Home was made by Mrs. Kent.

Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk, National President of the Society, presented the building, and Bishop James N. FitzGerald read the service and offered the dedicatory prayer.

One hundred and forty guests were entertained this last summer; of these, sixty-four were missionaries and deaconesses, representing twenty-one different fields of labor. Mrs. F. C. Hathaway and Miss Pearce are the efficient and beloved Superintendents.

Bidwell Deaconess Home.

1155 West Ninth Street, Des Moines, Ia.

Miss ELIZABETH HUMPHREY, Superintendent.

(Reported by the Secretary.)

The past year has been one of quiet but steady growth. Miss Humphrey, Miss Belding, and Miss Robbins have been our workers throughout the year. Over five thousand four hundred visits have been made, and more than three thousand hours spent in nursing. Visits have been made to hospitals, Aged People's Home, almshouses, and jail. Large numbers of children have been brought into the Mission and Industrial Schools, of whom eighteen have been converted.

The work of the nurse-deaconess was a power for good in gaining

access to homes that could not otherwise be reached. The house-to-house visitation has also resulted in many conversions through the prayerful efforts of the workers.

A sewing-school kitchengarten and Boys' Club in South Des Moines has been wonderfully successful, under the control of Miss Humphrey. A similar work will be started this month in the largest Methodist Episcopal Church in the city, under the direction of the deaconesses, the Church furnishing the money to carry it on. It would be impossible to enumerate all that is being done by these consecrated women.

Besides the city work, a deaconess has, in response to calls, visited thirteen towns in the State, assisted in revivals, and representing the work.

Various additions to the furnishings of the Home have been made this year, making it more homelike and comfortable. The first probationer was received this summer, and, having successfully passed her three months' trial, has gone to the Training-school at Washington, D. C. Miss Robbins, nurse-deaconess, resigned August 31st, to become the wife of a Methodist minister. We greatly regret her loss to the work. Miss Wetherbee, a graduate from the Washington Training-school, came to us in July, so we still have three efficient workers. At the Annual Meeting of the Deaconess Association on September 29th, the Constitution was amended, so as to make the pastors of the Methodist Episcopal Churches of the city members of the Board of Managers, thus giving them more direct interest in the work.

We start out in the new year's work, believing that with God's blessing it will be the most successful we have ever had.

Brooklyn.

238 President Street.

DR. W. W. CLARK, Superintendent.

Our year has been marked by harmony in all our councils, and prosperity in all our work. Our deaconesses and probationers now number one dozen. They do their work chiefly in connection with our city Churches, gathering children into the Sunday-school and strangers into the congregation. Enough children have been added to our schools during the past year to form two or three new schools of average size. We find this kind of work more fruitful and more permanent in its results than conducting separate missions. We have children's classes or Junior Leagues, Mothers' Meetings, and in some cases Industrial Schools, organized in most of the Churches, to which our deaconesses are assigned.

The most noteworthy incident in our history during the year has been the gift of $10,000 by Mr. George Barlow, of this city, to be used as an Endowment Fund. The generous donor has since gone to his reward. His works will follow him.

Buffalo.

2978 Main Street.

Miss E. S. SMITH, Superintendent.

The Buffalo Deaconess Home is able to report a year of satisfactory results. No new lines of work have been opened, but those already established have been faithfully conducted by the deaconesses. The interest in the Home is extending throughout the Conference, and pastors and Churches are becoming our friends as never before. There are plans to open in the near future—a kitchengarden and cooking-school in connection with our Cheerful Home Settlement. Again have we enriched another Home, and made ourselves poorer by sending our Miss Lydia

Beal to aid in opening the work in Wichita, Kansas. We feel not a little gratification that we have been able to advance the work in many places by sharing our workers with others. Quite extensive improvements have been made in the Home, not the least of which is the putting in of a fine furnace.

We have not altogether left the days of anxiety behind, but we see by faith the One who cares for His own, and in Him we are strengthened, knowing that we shall reap in due season if we faint not.

Cleveland.

268 Woodland Avenue.

Miss E. A. McILLMOYL, Superintendent.

(This report was furnished by Miss McIllmoyl, Superintendent of the Home.)

Again we approach the closing year, and as we review the past we thank God, and take courage. There have been given and received by the Home 15,187 calls; 22,771 papers and tracts have been distributed. Situations have been procured for 46 people, and temporary work for 125. Hospitals have been visited 138 times; 124 Children's Meetings have been held, and 259 evangelistic meetings. Many funerals have been conducted; our Mission services have been kept up with unflagging interest. In the class organized, there are twelve full members and twenty-five probationers. Sixteen members of the Sunday-school have professed conversion, and thirty-six children and eight adults have been baptized. The Sunday-school has an enrollment of 125 scholars, and has contributed fifteen dollars to the support of a famine orphan in India. We have cared for 134 sick people, spending 7,538 hours in nursing, loaned 221 articles to the sick, and assisted in 16 surgical operations. Among outside patients, the following nationalities are represented: German, Bohemian, Hungarian, Welsh, Russian, Scotch, Canadian, English, and American; and the following religious creeds: Episcopal, Jewish, Congregational, Roman Catholic, Methodist Episcopal, Lutheran, Evangelical. During the year we have taken up Travelers' Aid work at the Union Depot. This is carried on in connection with the Young Men's Christian Association. This work has been full of interest from the very first, and its helpfulness freely acknowledged by those who have shared its benefits. Much interest has been manifested in our Home by those who have met our deaconesses at the depot.

Our Endowment Fund has been increased this year, until now it is almost three thousand dollars.

Cunningham Deaconess Home and Orphanage.

Urbana, Ill.

This beneficent institution has passed a successful year. Thirty-eight children have been sheltered, and eight have been given permanent homes. An Episcopalian lady, Miss Hannah Johnson, left a bequest to the Home, five thousand one hundred dollars of which has been paid into the treasury. Mr. and Mrs. Woodruff have been faithful in their departments of service. Miss Ganiere, the kindergartner, was greatly attached to the children of her kindergarten, and did excellent service. She is now transferred to the Baltimore Home, and Miss Matilda Reeves, a graduate of the Training-school, is now the kindergartner of the Home. Mrs. Georgiana Clark and a Miss Mary Crawford are the deaconesses of the Conference, working with the ministers, and at the same time contributing to the upbuilding of the institution. The Home has found a warm place in the hearts of the people of the Conference.

Detroit.

53 Elizabeth Street West.

Miss LUCRETIA GADDIS, Superintendent.

(The following report was furnished by Miss Gaddis, Superintendent of the Home.)

In the good providence of God another year has passed in the history of this Home. Health, strength, and the privilege to minister to others has been granted to our members, bringing much of joy and blessing into our lives, and more opportunities to endure hardness for Christ's sake.

We are greatly indebted to our many friends for the help and sympathy they have given us, which has made our service possible.

First of all, to the Board, who have been our faithful friends and counselors, giving their time, patience, and money to us without stint, and also, we believe, their prayers.

Then the Woman's Home Missionary Society Auxiliaries have been our stanch friends and supporters, ready to help in every possible way. Our pastors have furnished us with an exceedingly interesting course of lectures and studies, and have been our constant helpers and advisers. Our larder has been kept filled with good fruit and jellies, and vegetables in abundance have come to us, so that we could give to the needy.

The only other regular teacher in the Home besides those mentioned, has been our faithful Miss Mary E. Preston, who so long has taught the Sunday-school lesson on Friday morning.

We have had as devoted and consecrated a set of women connected with this sisterhood as can be found anywhere. It has been a great pleasure to be associated with them in the Lord's work. There have been twelve deaconesses and probationers with us this year. Seven of these are licensed deaconesses, four are probationers, and one an associate member.

Miss Hartwell, who had so long been one of our number, has severed her connection with us, being now the Superintendent of the Florence Crittenden Mission. Miss Johnson, who has carried blessing to many homes, also felt obliged to leave in January.

Our field has been a large one, including all of the city of Detroit, and branching out through the Detroit Conference, and taking in one Conference in Iowa.

Our visitors have made many canvassing calls to find people not attending Church, and have also made hundreds of religious calls on the poor, sick, and troubled; have gone to the hospitals, County House, Poor Commission, and Home of the Friendless to find help for the troubled and destitute, and have even been to the Police Court in the interest of law and order.

Many special cases have been looked into and assisted; work that can not be computed, but that requires time and labor.

We have also kept an Intelligence Bureau, where people come and unburden all sorts of sorrows to us. We give them not only solace, but help them to find work.

A number of homes for children have been found. Besides all this, much of the housework and homekeeping must be done by the deaconesses. Mrs. Kellar still continues to superintend the Tillman Avenue Mission, and accomplishes wonders in her end of the town.

Denver.

1735 Logan Avenue.

Miss MELISSA BRIGGS, Superintendent.

(Report of Deaconess Work from October 9, 1897, to August 21, 1898, as furnished by Miss Briggs, the Superintendent.)

For several years the Conference Board of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, Colorado Conference, were thinking and praying over opening up deaconess work in the Conference. I left the Salt Lake City Home for Denver the 9th of October, making my home at the Haymarket Haven until a Home could be established. The first three months was spent at Briggs Mission, helping to build up the Sunday-school, organizing the women and children for work, getting the sewing-school started, and securing workers to carry it on.

When, after earnest prayer for guidance, the Board decided to rent a house for a Home and send for other workers, there was only six dollars in the Deaconess Fund, and no one knew where the money was coming from; but we felt the Lord said to us, "Go forward," and we started out in faith, believing that if we gave ourselves fully to the work he would not fail us, and he has not. A seven-room cottage was secured the 1st of March, at twenty dollars per month. An appeal was made for furnishing, which was so well responded to by both Churches and individuals, that the house was soon comfortably furnished, with only $33.17 spent by the Board. The City Cabinet of the Epworth League, desiring to make their headquarters at the Deaconess Home, furnished the front room and pay half the rent. Miss James, Miss Rich, a deaconess from the San Francisco Home, and Miss Wood, came to our aid as workers.

We have made 2,347 special calls, 168 calls on the sick, 1,164 calls from house to house, and 60 business calls. We believe through the calling and personal interest in the people the most effective work is being done, and the most definite results are being obtained. Disaffected members and absentees have been looked after, and some have been warmed and strengthened in their Christian experience and life; strangers invited to services, introduced and made to feel at home when they came; children gotten into the Sunday-schools, Junior Leagues, and sewing-schools. The poor and sick have been helped and cared for. Peace has been made in homes of discord, and in every way possible we have tried to help people physically and spiritually. Two hundred and sixty-nine hours have been spent in nursing the sick, and forty-six hours in special service. Six Bibles and 1,445 religious papers and tracts, and 358 garments have been distributed. Eight tons of coal have been given, in most cases at least, to very worthy people, who are not accustomed to receive charity, and would not have applied to the county, though in great need. We secured the coal through the Coal Guild.

The Home has an Advisory Board, consisting of two persons from each district. Denver District has one gentleman from each of the Churches. Their counsel and help have been most valuable to the work. So far the Denver Churches have taken turns in furnishing supplies for the table, each Church, or the poorer Churches two together, supplying for a month.

Since the Home opened, the supplies have amounted to about sixty-five dollars. There are now five of us in the Home, four deaconesses and Alice May, an Apache Indian girl, sent to us from Teller Institute, at Grand Junction, Colorado, where she graduated.

The Board has decided to accept a deaconess from the African Methodist Episcopal Church, as soon as a proper candidate can be found.

The Greeley District Epworth League have pledged their hearty indorsement and co-operation, and we believe many friends have been won to the work.

We begin the work of another year, thanking God for what has been accomplished, and trusting that in the near future the Lord will touch the heart of some one to give a building for the Home, and we shall be able to have more workers.

We are arranging to send a deaconess through the Conference to represent the work and collect funds, and also to assist pastors whenever there is a call for their services. In this way we believe greater interest will be awakened, and the influence of the work felt throughout the Conference.

Glens Falls, N. Y.

Miss Mary J. Jones, formerly a deaconess of the Syracuse Home, entered on work at Glens Falls, April 5th, in connection with the Auxiliary of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. She reports 1,379 calls made, work done among the sick and aged in connection with the usual duties of pastor's assistant to the Glens Falls Church.

Indianapolis.

Miss Cartes K. Schwartz, the founder of deaconess work at Mt. Carmel, entered in the month of October on service in Indianapolis, being the first deaconess also in this new field. We call the attention of our Indiana friends to the importance of this work. The ministers of the Indiana Conference, represented by a Special Committee, have unanimously passed resolutions indorsing the deaconess work in connection with the Woman's Home Missionary Society. This is a great opportunity for the heroic women of Methodism in connection with the Conference of Indiana. We trust that during the coming year they will co-operate royally and loyally, to the end that we shall soon see a Deaconess Home and Hospital started in this city, in connection with Indiana Methodism.

Knoxville.

517 Henly Street.

Miss RHODA E. SIGLER, Superintendent.

Our faithful deaconess, Sister Rhoda, gives ever a joyful report of service. She says: "It is a wonderful privilege to help in extending the Redeemer's kingdom among men from the river to the ends of the earth. This is our work, our mission. As the children of God, we must be about our Father's business. There is no place where the needs are so great and the laborers so few, as in the cities and villages and the rural districts of our beautiful Southland. It is a most inviting field."

The statistics of the work show her to have been "abundant in labors."

Los Angeles and Pasadena.

1113 South Hill Street, Los Angeles.

There have been five deaconesses employed in the Conference during the year. The beloved Superintendent, Miss Winifred Spaulding, who has been identified with the Home from its inception, was obliged to resign on account of ill-health, as was also Miss Day. Miss Haeberlin, a recent graduate of the San Francisco Training-school, has recently entered the Home, and Miss Bisbee, from the same school, has been assigned to Pasadena, First Church, making five deaconesses now at

work in the Conference. The manager of the National Training-school says of the deaconesses: "A noble band they are. We could give work for a dozen or more right here in our city."

Jersey City, N. J.

Newark Conference Deaconess Home.

201 Montgomery Street.

MRS. GEORGINA CLARK, Deaconess.

A pastor has said that "the Deaconess Home in Jersey City has been decidedly Methodistic during its first year of existence, as it has been an itinerant Home." It moved from an apartment of four rooms to another of six rooms, and is now settled in a twelve-room house, with a family of four deaconesses and a matron.

The Newark Conference Deaconess Home in Jersey City was opened in four rooms, at No. 296 Barrow Street, third floor, on November 5, 1897. On December 9th it was moved to No. 301 Montgomery Street, first floor, five rooms. On May 17th, six months after its dedication, it entered the frame building of fourteen rooms, at 201 Montgomery Street, where the sign above its entrance door, "Deaconess Home," is in startling contrast to some of the other signs over the stores on the same block, where there are four saloons.

There are at present only four deaconesses in the Home,—Mrs. Cole, Miss Lewis, and Miss Clemson, and also a housekeeper.

I am tempted at this time to leave the report to make an appeal for workers. Calls are coming in to us for deaconesses, and Professor Bancroft, our Field Secretary. says: "If I had seventy-five deaconesses, I could put them in active service at once." Will you remember one of our Lord's last commands, "Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest that he send forth more laborers into the field."

Besides the work connected directly with the Home, which I will mention later, the deaconesses have been under the pastors of the following Churches: East Orange, Calvary; Paterson, Market Street. Boonton, St. Paul, J. C.; Centenary, J. C.; Hedding, J. C.; Simpson, J. C.; Trinity, J. C.

A Recognition Meeting was held on March 10th, at the Hedding Church, Jersey City, where the people of Jersey City were invited to meet the deaconesses who had come to be one with them in the work. Many were present from other parts of the Conference.

On April 4th, in Calvary Church, East Orange, at the Anniversary services of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, three of the deaconesses were consecrated by Bishop Goodsell, assisted by several of the pastors. To many this service of consecration was the most impressive of the Conference.

During the summer our deaconesses were invited to a vacation in Bancroft Rest Home, Ocean Grove, the expenses being met by one of our Auxiliaries and private contribution.

We believe that the introduction of this line of work in our Conference has been the means of increasing the membership, as well as the amount of money given in the Newark Conference Woman's Home Missionary Society.

The Home is supported by funds from various sources. Half of the dues of the members of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of Auxiliaries in Jersey City is given to the Home. Pledges from Auxiliaries and individuals pay the rent and running expenses of the Home.

The table has been supplied by Thursday Baskets, containing provisions and cash from all over the Conference.

Mt. Carmel.

Miss ELIZABETH LARRISH.

The second year of work in Mt. Carmel was marked by advancement. The longed-for mission was opened, and the meetings well attended by the class of people for whom they were designed. The Sunday-school has quite outgrown the room, those coming being children who did not attend any other Sunday-school. Girls who are rapidly learning to be useful fill the Industrial School, while the Thursday evening prayer-meetings are much appreciated. Now that work in the mines is more abundant, there is not so much suffering among the people. Two little girls have been rescued from lives of sin and suffering, having been sent to the Watts de Peyster Home; while another dear child, afflicted with a painful disease, was taken to the hospital for treatment.

Miss Swartz has now gone to Indianapolis, and her place been filled by Miss Larrish. We trust this work in the mining region of Pennsylvania will develop into a great mission.

Philadelphia.

611 Vine Street.

Mrs. E. TURNEY, Superintendent.

Early in the past year steps were taken to largely increase the support of the Home, by the formation of a Bureau of Deaconess Work in connection with the Conference Society of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, which has had the management of the Deaconess Home and its work, subject to the approval of the Conference Society, thereby inducing many women belonging to Churches not having any organization of the Woman's Home Missionary Society to enlist in this service. This plan has proven to be a help to the Home, and a means of bringing about the organization of a number of Woman's Home Missionary Society Auxiliaries.

The successful opening of the Annex to the Home was a large factor uniting this force of women for the future support of the Home. That it is of benefit to other departments of the Woman's Home Missionary Society was instanced when an appeal for the enlargement of the National Training-school for Missionaries and Deaconesses was made to this Deaconess Bureau. Over two hundred dollars were quickly pledged; and on another occasion one hundred and fifty dollars were pledged for Bancroft Rest Home for Missionaries and Deaconesses.

The Home and Annex, both the generous gift of our lamented friend and benefactor, Colonel Joseph M. Bennett, have been greatly enlarged and beautified during the past year. The enlargement and remodeling of the Annex was an added instance of Colonel Bennett's beneficence, the entire property representing a value of about $25,000.

The Annex was formally opened and dedicated on March 31, 1898, with suitable exercises, and was a happy occasion for all friends of the work. Its fine equipment, consisting of dining-room and serving-room, kitchen, laundry, reception-room and bed-rooms for boarders, mission-room and library, and separate room and special equipment for cooking-school, was furnished at a cost of about $1,400, giving opportunity to a number of Churches to name memorial rooms.

The year has been a prosperous one; the eight deaconesses have been tireless in their endeavors to achieve results that will count in the final record on high. They have held meetings for mothers, for boys and girls, and for young women, also classes for sewing and cooking.

The lunch-room and boarding department, with increased facilities found in the Annex, is already on a self-supporting basis. Twenty-seven

thousand and ninety-seven luncheons were served, at an average charge of less than nine cents each. And an attractive Home for about ten self-supporting young girls.

A library and reading-room is arranged for the benefit of all that come.

The trained nurse-deaconess is in constant demand. The visiting deaconesses have been ever busy ministering faithfully in connection with mission Churches and schools, as well as assisting pastors who have large and important Churches.

"The Fresh Air Work," as conducted by the deaconesses, is second only to the work of the "Country Week Association" in its blessed work during the midsummer days.

The immigrant work of the Conference has been most successfully performed by those wearing the "white ties."

Recently as our deaconess was distributing the Word among the passengers, she approached a stylishly-dressed young gentleman, and timidly asked him if he would accept and read this Bible. Taking a much-worn copy from his pocket, he said: "Three years ago, when I landed at this station, I accepted one of your little books. I am very glad to tell you that I read it, and that it has become the guide of my life, and that to-day I am trying to follow its commands." You will never know how many lives have been influenced through this method of sowing the seed.

Several deaconesses have responded to the call of pastors from various towns of the Conference for assistance in evangelistic services, in almost all cases awakening an interest in the Home and its work, and the Woman's Home Missionary Society as well.

Two deaconesses have co-operated with the City Missionary and Church Extension Society of the Conference most efficiently. Another has just commenced work in connection with the Italian Mission of the Conference, under the care of the General Missionary Society.

The Home has been conducted at an outlay of less than three thousand dollars per year. "Donation-day," two days before "Thanksgiving-day," is an annual occurrence, when valuable supplies and cash are contributed and a supper served to visitors, the proceeds of which are added to the fund for deaconess work.

Pittsburg.

2000 Fifth Avenue.

Miss S. E. TYLER, Superintendent.

As we review the work of the past year, we are glad to report progress along all lines of the work. With the kindly assistance of some of our friends, who supplied us with funds, we were enabled to relieve the wants of many needy families during the winter, and with the financial help of a Young Ladies' Missionary Society, we sent a number of poor children to the country during the warm weather.

Our nurses have been constantly engaged in caring for the destitute sick, and so great is the demand for such work, that a number of cases had to be refused because of the lack of nurses.

The work of our colored mission Sabbath-school, with an enrollment of 175 scholars, is moving steadily forward.

The Travelers' Aid work, which was begun July, 1897, has been very successful. This line of work affords many opportunities for doing good, and is greatly appreciated by those who are aided.

It is to be noted that the union between the Pittsburg Deaconess Home and the Woman's Home Missionary Conference Society is pecu-

liarly close. The Society is incorporated, and owns the property, which now is nearly, if not quite, free of debt.

The courage of the faithful women who purchased the Home on faith, and by their own heroic efforts have paid for it since 1892, should stimulate our women in other places to like holy courage.

San Francisco.

Bible Training-School and Deaconess Home.

618 Haight Street.

Mrs. H. IDA BENSON, Superintendent.

During the year four deaconesses, including Mrs. Benson, the Superintendent, and sixteen students have been connected with the Home, making twenty in the family, besides Mrs. Carver, who, since Mrs. Benson's illness, has taken her place as acting Superintendent; Miss Lake, who works entirely in the interests of the Chinese, and lives at the Chinese Mission; also one student, who has been in the McLean Hospital during the year, in training for a nurse-deaconess; and Miss Rich, whom we permitted to go to the Denver Home last March.

Eight of the students received scholarships, and one a half scholarship. Three graduated from the school this year, Miss Haeberlein, Miss Morrison ,and Miss Hanberg, two of whom were consecrated at our Colorado Conference by Bishop Hurst.

One student, who had taken more than one year of the course of study, concluded, on account of her many outside duties, not to become a deaconess, but still this year teach in the school.

Our generous friend, who last year placed eight hundred dollars at our disposal for scholarships, has this year placed the same amount in bank for us to draw from for the same purpose. The Board fully appreciates this gift. One of our last year's graduates, who had received her training on a scholarship, this year generously returned the two hundred dollars to our Board.

In March, Mrs. Benson, our faithful and beloved Superintendent, who had not been in good health for some time, was obliged to go into a hospital, and undergo a serious operation. Since that time she has not been able to return to her work in the Home. By the advice of her physician she has been granted a leave of absence, and has gone East, to be among friends.

Dr. Beard, our dean, has been at the head of the Training-school during the past year. He has planned the course of study has attended to procuring the lecturers, and all the details connected with the work of the school. He has also rendered the ladies valuable assistance, by his advice and cheerful co-operation.

As the work has grown and our numbers increased, we have found our house fully inadequate for the accommodation of the students and family, and have recently moved into more commodious quarters at 618 Haight Street, where we have more rooms, and where we are more accessible to most of the Methodist Episcopal Churches.

Last October the Settlement at Sixth Street was discontinued, on account of the changed condition of the neighborhood. The sewing-school, which had been carried on there, was removed to Central Church, and under the care of Mrs. Spring grew to wonderful proportions, having from 125 to 150 names enrolled upon her books. We also have another sewing-school at Howard Street Church, which is doing well. The Women's Club, which was started at the Settlement, still continues at Howard Street Church.

The family at the Deaconess Home were not forgotten at the holiday season, and at Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New-Year's received generous and substantial contributions for the table and for the poor. In November 172 pieces—new garments—were received from the Needlework Guild, which was a great help to us in the way of bed-linen and gifts for the poor.

We ask your prayers that God will bless our San Francisco Deaconess Home and Bible and Training-school.

Shamokin.

Miss LEONE BARTOLET, Deaconess.

The work at Shamokin has been closely connected with the Church of Rev. T. W. Wilcox. While connected with the Woman's Home Missionary Society, the expense of the deaconess has been largely met by this Church. During all the time for which this report calls, Miss Bartolet has continued her usual labors, ministering to the spiritual and temporal needs of rich and poor alike. In December, 1898, Miss Bartolet was married, and changed her home to New York City, where she is followed by the cordial good wishes of the many friends whom she made in her Christian work at Shamokin.

Salt Lake City.

Davis Deaconess Home.

41 East Third South Street.

Miss M. E. SPENCE, Superintendent.

(Reported by the Superintendent.)

The record of the past year shows many changes. Early in October our faithful worker, Miss Briggs, was called to plant a new Home in Denver. Her field has become fallow ground, waiting for some one to water and tend what so faithfully she had sown. In the closing hours of the old year, the Superintendent, the mother of the Home, was called away by the death of a loved one, leaving only two to carry the burdens for many weeks; then as spring opened another was called away; so for the last half of the year there have been but two in the Home. There is an imperative need of workers at Salt Lake.

Our Chinese school has not abated in interest or numbers. Many improvements have been made in their room, their attendance is faithful, and with some one to give greater attention to their needs, they would make great progress. A beautiful flag, which on national days floats over our Home, came in January from the Auxiliary in Oakland, California. We now number four, and hope the coming year to do better work, and at its close to show greater results.

The report of special deaconess work at separate stations in Utah, as at Provo, Logan, and Mt. Pleasant, will be found in the report of the Secretary of the Bureau for Utah, Mrs. B. S. Potter.

Wichita.

In September of 1898, Miss Lydia Beal, from the Buffalo Home, and Miss Hicks, a graduate of the last class at Washington, began work in this city. A Home was opened in a modest way, and at once the people received gladly the ministrations of these workers. The promise is good for a year of large results.

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ITEMIZED SUMMARY.	Aldrich Memorial	Baltimore	Brooklyn	Buffalo	Cleveland	Cunningham Deaconess Home and Orphanage	Detroit	Des Moines	Denver	Newark Conference Deaconess Home	Knoxville
lue of property,	$15,000	$11,600	$37,000	$14,000	$11,200	$22446 22	$10,800	$5,000	$2,700	$400	$200
cumbrance,				$3,000			$5,000	$875			
mber of deaconesses and Probationers,	9	10	12	12	13	2	10	3	6	5	1
mber of visits made,	872	7987	12340	5692	3407	1168	5860	4254	3571	4681	1654
mber of visits to hospitals, jails, etc.,	15	647	420	179	37		425	15	168		484
portunities for Bible reading and prayer,	155	2674		821	118	170	1325	811	547	541	300
etings held or assisted in,	27	233	475	511	163	90	540	132	531	201	76
urs spent in kindergarten,		1700		338				125		48	
urs spent in industrial school,	30	373		336				80		73	
urs spent in nursing,	539½	3220		1679	1346		9846	2777	269		
ibles, Testaments, and tracts given away,	365	15098	4492	6666	5422	334	11588	1680	1451		4868
sh expended for the poor,	$16 31	$189 20	$149 96		$6 57		$77 00		$173 85		$61 07
rments given away,	40		880				3048		358		349
istors and Churches aided,	2		14	19	5	11	16	4		7	
arly expenses,	$989 15	$2117 77	$4241 87	$2881 34	$2067 08	$1170 22	$2506 56	$1289 91	$326 01	$863 14	$280

ITEMIZED SUMMARY.	Mt. Pleasant	Los Angeles and Pasadena	Mt. Carmel	Bancroft Rest Home	Provo	Philadelphia	Pittsburg	Shamokin	Salt Lake City	San Francisco	Sibley Memorial Hospital	Washington	Wichita	Glens Falls, N. Y.
lue of property,		$300		$10,838	$1,000	$25,761 57	$13,500		$5,000	$1,500	11,000	$41,464	300	
cumbrance,				$6,975								$8,000		
mber of deaconesses and probationers,	1	3	1			8	8	1	3	23		53	2	1
mber of visits made,	1209	10506	916			7500	8628		2682	10206		4073		1379
mber of visits to hospitals, jails, etc.,		20	5			161	1412		41	222				
portunities for Bible reading and prayer,	317	233	317				950		351	431		402		132
eti'gs held or asst'd in	714	1154	714			353	286		46	108		249		
urs spent in kindergarten,	332	45	332				650		187			678		
urs spent in industrial school,	14	45				264	480		48	667				
urs spent in nursing,	63	397	4			2721	4731		447	477		285		
bles, Testaments, and tracts given away,	1605	952	1605			4800	5363		1123	1813		1586		502
sh expended for poor,	93 45	$106 75	$93 45			$157 10	$70 00		166 50	$57 00		$55 90		80 05
rments given away,			218			2363	1046		119			772		17
istors and Chur's aided						61	12		24	15		15		1
arly expenses,		$924 72	442 38	$914 50		$5168 24	$1788 24	307		2340 97		7050 59		

140 Summer Guests.

"Except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it."

With thanks to Him for His guiding care, this report is submitted.

JANE BANCROFT ROBINSON, *Secretary.*

AMELIA D. MINARD, *Assistant Secretary.*

BUREAU FOR ORIENTALS.

A CONDITION exists upon our farthest western shores to be found nowhere else upon this continent Some of us remember when, in 1864, the shackles fell from slaves in this country—black men, black women, black children, were the victims of an accursed system. This was almost a generation ago; but to-day women and children, girls and boys, are bought and sold; not always vile women, but innocent children, often sold for debt.

Tuen Tson Hsi, Empress Dowager of China, was in no wise born to greatness; when a rebel uprising burned her father's hut and ravaged his plot of land; when Buddha seemed to have grown deaf to prayers, and there was no rice to keep the family from hunger, she it was who suggested to her father to sell her. This old custom of China has been transplanted to our China in America. But few, however, share the interesting fate of the new Empress of China.

Here innocent Chinese children are sold into domestic slavery, where they are the veriest drudges for small-footed women. They are sent on errands to vile places, and carry burdens upon their backs, babies or children as large as themselves. But this is not the worst. They are transferred from one master to another, and finally land in places entirely unfit for innocent childhood.

In rescuing little girls, we do our greatest work for the future. Boys, too, are bought and sold, and there are no places to send them when they are taken from low resorts. A secretary of the Society for the Prevention of Vice was discussing the fate of such, and I said, "Why not send them to a certain place?" mentioning it. "Why, madam," he said, "you would n't put them with other boys!" As though Mongolian vice was any worse than Caucasian!

For many years a few missionaries have carried the gospel to women, some of whom never go out of the place they call home from the time they land in San Francisco till they are borne to the grave; wives of merchants, small-footed women, who would never hear the gospel did they not have it taken to them. Five hundred idol-worshiping families could have the Word of God, if all had the spirit of the widow who gave her mite.

Fifteen years ago there was hardly to be seen a Chinese child in America. To-day there are two thousand in San Francisco. Little urchins in yellow blouses, born under the Stars and Stripes, laugh at Congressional legislation and close-barred gates. The Supreme Court of the United States has recently declared that all boys born in the United States are citizens, and voters when of age. Shall such have a Christian or pagan citizenship? The latter might imperil our institutions.

India, China, and Japan must have their schools; but it is no less important that *we* push our educational work among these people on our own shores. For the past year we have had twenty girls in the Home, ten at work in families, eight sent back to China. This year the United States Government has directed an investigation into the abominable traffic in women, with a view to legislative dealing with the evil.

In the years of our work in San Francisco over four hundred women have been rescued. One hundred of these have been redeemed with the precious blood of Christ, and entered into the blessed liberty of God's children. The number converted seems small; but when you remember how Christian America has treated these people, you can not wonder they do not readily accept our gospel. Occasionally a Christian teaches them; but the majority stones them, figuratively and literally. At America's in-

vitation they came to be "hewers of wood and drawers of water." They have never, like other foreigners, aspired to make our laws or run our institutions. They are "the strangers within our gates"—our Golden Gates, so called. Years ago, these people, with their hair braided down their backs, were a feature of a brilliant street procession upon the completion of the Pacific Railroad. And Oliver Wendell Holmes apostrophized these Gates in these words:

"Open *wide*, ye Gates of Gold,
To the Dragon's banner fold!"

But now that the Government has closed these gates, shall we refuse to give those that are left the best of our civilization?

We have for years had a school. This year there are thirty pupils, about half of whom are from families outside of our Mission; some from Christian homes, some from idol-worshiping ones. We have had some good results from these latter pupils. In the morning hours they are taught in their own language, and in the afternoons in English. Some of these go back to their homes, and tell what they have been taught in the mission school, and some morning the little boy or girl refuses to bow the knee to the hideous gods; they have learned a better way. The mother ponders over this, and finally she comes to the chapel to hear the gospel story. And thus, one by one, we shall bring them in!

The matron this year has had thirty-seven girls for a longer or shorter period. Last week the Government sent eleven to us for protection, pending trials in court. They had been sent to Omaha to the Exposition, under promise they should be returned to China at expiration of the Fair. Instead, they were brought to San Francisco. The doors at the Home have had to be bolted, and great care taken lest these slave girls escape. Policemen guard the building, and vile men and women watch a chance to bribe or coax them to run off.

House-to-house visitation is still carried on by a faithful missionary deaconess and her interpreter. Together they climb rickety stairs, dark and winding, going up and down the alleys of Chinatown. They grope their way, and enter small, ill-ventilated, sunless, and often windowless, rooms, where women sew day after day for the merest pittance. Sometimes these patient women hear the gospel story with stolid indifference; no sound escapes their lips, no look betrays their feelings. A few bright flowers, given to a sick child, betrays a ray of sunshine penetrating the heart, and she smiles; otherwise the missionary has little to encourage her, and yet she continues, day after day, hoping to carry light, hope, and life, where there is desolation and despair.

The Sunday-school, last year held in squalor and want, has now better quarters. In the new hall thirty children and often sixty adults gather every Sunday afternoon to hear the old, old story. The interpreter, Oi Yoki, is a very gifted woman, and explains the gospel with wonderful effect. The grown-up people listen with amazement to this woman's eloquence. This woman, a few years ago, was a poor slave girl.

There has been a new field opened to us in our beautiful Sacramento City. Other denominations have withdrawn their work mostly. There are nine hundred Chinese, among them fourteen families. The missionary has on her visiting-list five bound-footed women, one of whom has lived under ground for six years, has never since these years of isolation seen the light of day. Another has never been out of the place she calls home for four years. In Sacramento there are about twenty children, and we are contemplating a school for them, at a cost of only ten dollars per month. Shall we do it?

Chinese Work in Southern California.

Reported by MRS. T. F. DAVIS.

Ten months have slipped away so rapidly since we began our work again in Chinatown, Los Angeles. House-to-house visitation does not convey to the mind a realizing sense of all that is involved in the work we are in His name endeavoring to do. When we speak of a call to a Chinese home, very much more is meant. With us every home must become a separate and distinct congregation, while the story of the true God (so strange to them), the creation of the world, and of Jesus the Savior of the world, is told as simply as possible. We read to them from the New Testament in the Cantonese colloquial; from "Bible Stories," translated by Miss French; from "Sweet Story of the Cross;" from "Peep of Day," and others, all in Cantonese colloquial. These books are very simple to us who were born in a Christian land, but they are not so to a Chinese woman, and they can not comprehend them by one visit, or two. Twenty-five or thirty women, or, I think, all the women in Chinatown who are not slaves (this does not include the few who are professing Christians and members of other Churches), have received more or less instruction.

Two of these dear women were converted a few months ago; one, the mother of four children, tells me that the little girls of three and four years old will not eat anything till they have thanked God for it. These two families are soon to return to China. May our prayers go with them! We long for Mrs. Lau Yui to return from San Francisco, where she is preparing to teach God's Word. We feel that she is a chosen vessel, chosen by God from among these women a little more than two years ago; chosen, we believe, to carry the gospel not only to the women of Los Angeles, but in all Southern California.

What can be said about the inmates of the brothels, poor creatures? *Slaves* they are in the worst sense of the word. Her every movement is controlled by her tyrannical keeper or slave-dealer. She has no will of her own; she is not her own, for she has been bought for two or three thousand dollars. A baby, a week old, from one of these brothels, was sold a few months ago for a hundred and fifty dollars.

Thank God that a few have escaped this past year! One is now just about landed in China, where she will be cared for by missionaries until her mother calls for her.

Pray for us.

Japanese Work.

Another part of our work is the work among the little brown women. Japan, with its thirty millions, could send over the ocean a few of these people, only about five thousand, two hundred of whom are women in San Francisco. These are brought here, many of them, under false pretenses, like their sisters from China. Our missionary (Japanese) goes to the steamers as they come in from the Orient, and very often they need her. She takes them to the Home. This year ninety girls and women have been helped in various ways. Eleven have been converted. The only Japanese Church in America is in San Francisco, built by Methodists, mostly Japanese. Our Oriental Bureau has full charge of the women's work among these people.

I plead to-night for our Japanese sisters in our newest possessions—seven thousand women in the Hawaiian Islands, seven hundred of whom are in Honolulu, and hundreds of children. These Japanese are there to stay. They must be Americanized, Christianized, and made a part of us.

There is now an imperative demand for more work in *home* fields. We upon our western shores are no longer upon the rim of the continent. We face the Pacific Ocean, but beyond lies our new possessions, twenty-two thousand Chinese in Hawaii; and still farther on, in prospective possessions, other thousands, to whom we must send the gospel we preach. In Honolulu the Chinese are alarmed at the annexation, and say, "It will be a bad thing for us, when we have courts, juries, and police as corrupt as you have in the United States."

Last April in *Children's Home Missions* I saw the story of Ah Hay. I well remember when she, a poor sick girl, was brought into our mission. Sold in China, brought to San Francisco to find herself a slave, sick in body and distressed in mind, she came or was brought to us. She could speak no word of English. The girls in the house talked to her of Jesus and his love, and she *began* to trust; but when she knew she was to die, pitifully she told the girls at her bedside, "I am afraid the door of heaven will be shut." But one day her face grew bright, and she cried, "I see the way, the door is open," and she passed through. How different this scene from that of the deathbed of the heathen woman a block away, with candles, incense, chantings, tom-toms, and burnt paper used to drive away the devil!

Dear friends of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, let us strive to do our greatest work in these last years of the nineteenth century, seventy-five thousand women banded together! Let us get the ear of Methodist women! Away from pressing work, let us look at the sure promise: "I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness."

MRS. L. P. WILLIAMS, *Secretary.*

BUREAU FOR MISSION SUPPLIES.

HOW GRATEFULLY we come with our record this year! New life and cheer to the sick and discouraged it has been ours to give. Listen! You would feel more than repaid if you could hear the frequent "God bless those women," writes an elder. Then he tells of this aged couple, the best of whose lives has been given to frontier work; that brother, whose wife is so ill; this one, with large family and small salary. "We could not do without your Society. You do not know what these barrels mean to us." Earnest, careful women, who have this work on their hearts, make possible these happier homes. To the home of the sick minister a monthly gift of money has come, to buy nourishing food and make the one fighting chance for life. If all we hoped may not be realized, hearts that were near breaking have been soothed, life made easier for the sick one. We almost envy the donor the blessing of helping the good woman who made all this possible. God bless her! She has her reward even now. This motherly Society can do great things with such as these. Figures have decreased; but more and better gifts are facts that remain. The Secretary gives an earnest "God bless you" to all the willing helpers, much that is unsaid coming from homes made brighter. Let us weary not, nor faint by the way, remembering

"He is dead whose hand is not open wide
To help the need of a human brother;
He doubles the length of his life-long ride
Who gives his fortunate place to another;
And a thousand million lives are his,
Who carries the world in his sympathies."

MRS. JAMES DALE, *Secretary.*

BUREAU FOR YOUNG PEOPLE.

THE Secretary of this Bureau has, during the past year, visited thirteen Conferences, traveled over five thousand miles, and attended seventy-seven Home Missionary meetings. She has assisted in forty-nine of these meetings, and addressed thirty audiences assembled in the interest of our Young People's Work. This has been accomplished without expense to our Society. At some places this Secretary secured small donations, which she forwarded to our General Treasurer. She has met with Christian kindness and courtesy everywhere, and has found the interest in our work on the increase. Pastors of Methodist Episcopal Churches have been generous in several instances, offering their Sunday evening hour, without solicitation, for the presentation of our cause; and once when, through failure of trains to connect, this Secretary was unable to fill an appointment, the pastor of the Church to which she was expected came to the rescue, and preached a Home Missionary sermon. We do not doubt the truthfulness of those who said, "It was the best sermon he ever preached." Our Conference Secretaries for Young People are on the alert, adopting the best methods within their power to interest and instruct their children and young women in all that pertains to the welfare of our Society, and the needs of those in our beloved land who are less favored. We strongly urge all Conference Executive Boards to delay no longer appointing women who will take charge of this department.

An increase of subscribers to *Children's Home Missions*, and a growing demand for our membership cards for use in Home Mission Circles, Bands, and Mothers' Jewels, we rejoice to report. There have been urgent requests for badges to be worn by members of Circles and Bands. These will be ready for distribution after January 1, 1899, at a cost of ten cents each. Conference and district meetings of young people have been held in a few places during the past year. On October 13, 1898, the Young People's Home Mission Societies of Wilmington Conference held their Annual Meeting in Grace Methodist Episcopal Church, Wilmington, Delaware. It was most successful, and greatly encouraged all who aided in bringing about such happy results. The Cincinnati Conference has for three years held an Annual District Meeting for Young People's organizations. These meetings have been occasions of great pleasure. The Circle at Troy, Ohio, has printed a beautiful program for this year, in booklet form, which would compare well with a similar work of any of our Auxiliaries. Cincinnati Conference again leads off in young people's organizations, with its one thousand three hundred and ninety-four Mothers' Jewels, seventeen Home Mission Circles, and eleven Home Mission Bands; its five hundred and twenty-one subscribers to *Children's Home Missions;* with its Young People's Thank-offering Services and Mite-box Openings. May its example stimulate other Conferences to "go and do likewise!"

The following Conferences have elected Secretaries for Young People's Work, and are making good progress in this department, namely: Baltimore, Southern California, California, Cincinnati, Central New York, Central Ohio, Central Pennsylvania, Detroit, East Ohio, Genesee, Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Maine, Minnesota and Northern Minnesota, New York, New Hampshire, New York East, North Ohio, New England, New Jersey, North Indiana, Newark, Northern New York, North Ohio, New England Southern, Nebraska, Northwest Iowa, Ohio, Oregon, Pittsburg, Philadelphia, Troy, Vermont, Virginia, Wyoming, Wilmington, and West Virginia.

God has greatly blessed our Woman's Home Missionary Society in these Conferences, by giving to this department gifted women, whose

hearts are so touched with Home Missionary zeal, and so thrilled with the knowledge of the great fields of usefulness opening to the young people of our Sunday-schools and League, that they will not rest satisfied until all of our children and our young women are enrolled as active workers or supporters in caring for the hungry, the naked, the helpless, the orphan, the sick and the dying, the ignorant and sinful ones who are crowding our great cities, and who are in the distant parts of our vast country. The gates of the twentieth century are swinging open. Our armies of Christian young people are ready to go forward, and win the world for Christ. Are our Christian leaders taking their places at the head of the line? MRS. SAMUEL HAZLETT, *Secretary.*

BUREAU FOR LOCAL WORK.

TWENTY-FIVE Conferences have reported Local Work during the year. Large sums of money have been expended in a few of the Conferences, but most of them are turning their attention to the larger needs of the work outside of their own Church and town. Some Auxiliaries have reported work done for the poor in their churches and Sunday-schools; also for their City Hospitals, orphan asylums, shelters, etc.; but as this was charitable, and not missionary work, credit could not be allowed.

In the reports that follow, so far as I have been able to ascertain, the moneys have been expended for the poor *outside* of any church, congregation, or Sunday-school, and therefore is legitimate local missionary work.

Baltimore Conference reports as follows: Anacostia, $76.10; Maryland Avenue, $26; Columbia Avenue, for gospel wagon, $167.90; Madison Avenue, $19.75; East Baltimore Station, $29; North Baltimore, $20.12; Twelfth Street, $16.36, to establish a mission; Foundry Church, $9.35; Bethany, $10.

Central Pennsylvania Conference: Carlisle, $38; Ridge Avenue, $65.30; Thirteenth Street, $1.50.

Cincinnati Conference: Broadway Auxiliary, Dayton, $25.75; Miami, $18; Middletown, $86.67; York Street, $54.31. St. Paul—Cash and supplies, $42, and a pound party given by St. Paul Children's Band to Glenn Home Children's Band. Cumminsville: visits made, 18; supplies, $26.62. Mt. Lookout: supplies, $12; Bibles given away, 7; five prayer-meetings held with Shut-ins; a picnic given on each of the four Thursdays in August, 1897, to more than one hundred of the poorest people in the city.

Colorado Conference: University Park, $31.15; Colorado Springs, for Belle Lennox Library, $901.30; Grant Avenue, $2.40; Fifth Avenue, $4.

Detroit Conference: Blissfield, $2.05; First Church, Alpena, $3.50; Holly, $2.05; Jefferson Avenue, Saginaw, $10; Mary Palmer Church, $2.10; First Church, East Tawas, $2; Madison Avenue Church, Bay City, $32.68; supplies, $18.66. Tabernacle Church, $5.

Erie Conference: Jamestown—Number visits made, 21; sick visited, 3; supplies given, $56.29. Panama—Number of children brought to Sunday-school, 3; value of supplies given, $16.25. Tionesta—Number of families visited not attending Church, 3; cash supplies, $5; flowers, 90 cents. Kane—Number of sick visited, 5; number of families destitute of food, 3; destitute of clothing, 1; supplies, $10.60. Union City—Supplies, $60. Reynoldsville, $3. Corry—$7.15; supplies, $5.26.

Genesee Conference: Bradford, $147.40; Delaware Avenue, $50; Hampshire Street, $51; Bath, $3, and 20 visits made.

Maine Conference: Congress Street, $3; Lewiston, $30; Kent's Hill, $11.

Minnesota Conference: Wesley Church, $25.45; Hamline, St. Paul, $22.25.

Newark Conference: The following amounts have been paid to missionaries who work in mission chapels—Centenary Church, $25; Central, $50; Halsey Street, $95; Eighth Avenue, $20; Roseville, $130; St. Luke's, $75; Baskingridge, $25; Morristown, $50; Montclair, $50; Calvary, East Orange, $83; Passaic, for starting a chapel, $29; Market Street, Paterson, $28—shoes for needy children, $72.

Northern New York Conference: Ilion, $4.45; Mexico, $54.

New Mexico Conference, $3.20.

New England Conference has contributed $721.54 for medical missionary work in North End of Boston.

New England Southern Conference: New Bedford, $104.25, for Portuguese Mission.

New Jersey Conference: Broadway Church, Camden, $37.58; First Church, Camden, $17.10; Asbury Park, $14.59; Trenton, State Street Church, $46.

North Indiana Conference: Bluffton—Number of visits made, 487; Bibles given, 1; sick visited, 200; supplies given, $187.31. Wayne Street Auxiliary—Number of visits made, 253; leaflets distributed, 20; Bibles given, 7; sick visited, 300; Bible-readings given, 30; religious services conducted, 20; number families visited not attending Church, 3; number children visited not attending Sunday-school, 6; families destitute of food, 6; families destitute of clothing, 9; persons helped to employment, 5; children brought to Sunday-school, 20; persons brought into the Church, 1; value of supplies given, $20.

North Nebraska Conference: Hansom Place Church, $54.85.

Pittsburg Conference: Christ Church, $115.58; Butler Street, $115; Butler, $125; Smithfield Street, $75; Union Church, $135; McKeesport paying missionary, $60.

Puget Sound Conference: Olympia, First Church, $48.35.

Troy Conference: Keeseville, $5; Jonesville, $9.10; Saratoga Springs, $65; Saratoga, $26.70; Pittsfield, $20.25.

Southwest Kansas Conference: Arkansas City—Visits made, 74; children brought into Sunday-school, 32; supplies given, $18.18. Wellington—Visits made, 65; families not attending Church, 3; children not attending Sunday-school, 6; families destitute of food and clothing, 2; supplies given, $29.

Upper Iowa Conference: For work among Bohemians in Cedar Rapids—La Porte, $14; John's Creek, $5; Winthrop, $5; Cedar Falls, $10; Waterloo, $8.85; Marion, $2.30; Davenport, $8; Hopkinton, $1.55; Belle Plaine, $5.20; Hampton, $8.65; Waverly, $4; Mt. Vernon, $2.25; Tipton, $10; Iowa City, $20; Independence, $4.

West Wisconsin Conference: Madison, $157.27; Hudson, $14.36; Eau Claire, $13.20; Augusta, $15.50.

Wyoming Conference: Tabernacle Church, $84.10; Chenango Street, $7; Jermyn, $6.57; Wilkesbarre, $23.70; Centenary, $34.10; Owego, $5.

Total for twenty-five Conferences, $5,809.55.

Respectfully submitted. (MRS.) E. B. GREEN, *Secretary.*

BUREAU FOR READING CIRCLE.

THE object of this Bureau is to contribute along all lines of the work to which we are committed. My experience of fourteen years in the varied work of the Society justifies this fact, that where you find missionary information, there you will find abundant results. One of our great difficulties is to get a report of the work that is accomplished. The membership unreported last year was: Baltimore Conference, 700; Cincinnati Conference, 483; Denver Conference, 250; total, 1,433. These, in addition to those listed in Annual Report "comprise a membership of over three thousand names, a result honorable to our cause and helpful to the work. It has come to my knowledge that there are many readers who have not taken out a membership." Of this we are glad, but we would rejoice if such would come into the fold and be a part of our living strength.

If we would influence the age in which we live, we must be students of our work. The welfare of society calls for it; our rapidly-changing conditions require it; the future as well as present success of our missionary work demands it.

Let us strive to learn; for "to know is to open out a way, whence the imprisoned splendor may escape."

Our new Star Books for the year are: "Life and Work of Lucinda B. Helm, Who Organized the Work of Home Missions in our Southern States," price 75 cents, published by Barbee & Smith, Nashville, Tenn.; and "The Twentieth Century City," by Rev. Josiah Strong; price, paper, twenty-five cents.

MRS. J. L. TRISLER, *Secretary.*

REPORTS

OF

Conference Corresponding Secretaries.

BALTIMORE CONFERENCE.

It is with thanksgiving to God we review the work of the past year. The first event of importance within our bounds was the Annual Meeting of the General Board of Managers in the city of Baltimore. It was the largest meeting your body has ever held, numbering two hundred and twenty-four delegates and visitors. Your coming was a blessing and inspiration, resulting in a quickened interest in all branches of the work, and the forming of new Auxiliaries.

Your session had just closed when our dear Mrs. Beiler arrived from Alaska, bringing joyful tidings respecting the work there. A reception was tendered her by the Conference in Metropolitan Church, at which Bishop Hurst, Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk, and others warmly welcomed her return.

We have contributed generously this year to the work in Alaska, aiding in missionary's salary and the Building Fund, also supporting beneficiaries there. In addition to these, we have cared for beneficiaries in Watts de Peyster, New Mexico, the National Training-school, and for a girl rescued from Chinatown in San Francisco. The Emergency Fund has been helped, and valuable supplies sent to the frontier.

The Conference Anniversary was an occasion to be remembered, Mrs. Beiler speaking on her missionary tour in Alaska, and Bishop Hurst consecrating several deaconesses.

Baltimore Deaconess Home, under the direction of its able president and Board of Managers, continues to enlarge its borders. The special work of the year has been the erecetion of a new building in connection with the Rogers Mission, at a cost of $1,200. It is beautifully adapted to the work our deaconess is doing there.

The Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school and Deaconess Home has had a year of unparalleled success, and the fall term has opened with a class of nearly fifty earnest, consecrated women. Sibley Hospital has been reopened, and a goodly number of the students will be nurse-deaconesses, receiving their training in its wards. Miss Charlotte A. Aikens, the director and nurse in charge, comes to us highly commended. She is an honor graduate of the City of Stratford General Hospital, of Ontario, Canada, and has taken a post-graduate course in the New York Polyclinic Hospital.

The Annual Meeting was held in Harford Avenue Church, Baltimore. Professor Henrietta A. Bancroft gave a beautiful and scholarly address.

I have had the honor, during the year, of organizing the Washington and West Virginia Conferences.

With remembrance of our Father's guidance through the year that has gone, and with good courage for the days that are to come, we will press forward.

CLARA L. ROACH,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE.

THE traveler approaching San Francisco sees rising from the foothills along the western sky two elevations side by side, so nearly alike in form and altitude, that they are known as the Twin Peaks. As he goes from point to point of the city, through the opening of many streets the Twin Peaks still command the view. The Oriental and the Deaconess Work are the Twin Peaks of Home Missionary endeavor in this Conference. Auxiliaries have slight occasion to ask what lines of work shall be taken up, for these two interests are ever in sight, and either could very profitably utilize every dollar appropriated to both. The generous pledges of private individuals at the last Annual Meeting, and the $2,500 appropriation of the General Board to the Oriental Work, have stimulated our Auxiliaries to reciprocal action, and the result is over $1,000.

The Deaconess Home has removed to more commodious quarters on a central street. Donations of furnishings from kind friends have made the new Home exceedingly attractive. The fifth year of the Training-school has just opened, with promise of a large graduating class. Three students graduated in June, two of whom were consecrated at the Annual Conference by Bishop Hurst. Owing to illness, the superintendent, Mrs. H. I. Benson, has been granted leave of absence for one year. Too high a tribute can not be paid to the excellence and faithfulness of her efforts in this department. Mrs. L. M. Carver is giving great satisfaction as acting superintendent. Rev. J. N. Beard, D. D., pastor of a prominent San Francisco Church, is rendering invaluable aid as dean of the school.

A successful district meeting has been held in each of the organized districts.

At the Annual Meeting, Mrs. H. Z. Jones, Secretary of Literature, called for subscriptions to *Home Missions*, and received over twenty names. The Treasurer reported the year's receipts to be $6,366.39. Of this amount, $2,315.87 was for Deaconess Work, $1,016.94 for the Oriental, and $2,223.83 the estimated value of supplies. The mite-boxes yielded $128.04.

Our Mission Circles and affiliated King's Daughters are not numerous, but they are strong allies, and the Home Missionary sentiment is winning a place among our young ladies.

Our Society has gained in membership nearly twenty per cent. Only one Auxiliary is in a flickering condition, and its case is not hopeless.

Plans have been laid for specializing during the coming year, increase of membership, systematic benevolence, and juvenile work.

MRS. R. MCLELLAN, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

CENTRAL ILLINOIS CONFERENCE.

CENTRAL ILLINOIS CONFERENCE held its anniversary meeting at the Annual Conference, when an address was given by Mrs. James Dale. No election of officers has been held this year. Three Auxiliaries have continued faithful work for years, whether there were Conference officers or not. Three have grown weary by the way and failed to report, although they have sent money to the Treasurer. Aid has been given to the Emergency Fund, Ritter Home, Bureau of Supplies, and Rust Hall. Subscribers to *Woman's Home Missions* have increased, and more intelligent work is being done.

(MISS) ELLA G. TAYLOR,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

CENTRAL NEW YORK CONFERENCE.

THERE has been little change in the Conference during the year past. Five Auxiliaries have been organized and five have disbanded, leaving the same number with which we began the year. Three Circles have been organized, one Band, and one Band of Mothers' Jewels. Five Life Members have been added during the year. Only 679 numbers of *Home Missions* taken, a *decrease* during the year of 156 numbers. Scholarships have been sustained in *seven* of our Industrial Homes—Stickney Home, at Lynden, Wash.; Ritter Home, Athens, Tenn.; Bennett Home, Clarkson, Miss.; King Home, Texas; Simpson Home, Orangeburg, S. C.; Jesse Lee Home, Alaska; and Haven Home, Savannah, Ga.

At the Annual Meeting in Baltimore, the Secretary pledged one hundred dollars for Rust Hall, and sixty dollars for a scholarship in Stickney Home. The ladies of the Conference responded nobly to these pledges, and sent to the treasury $122.99 for Rust Hall, and $100.51 for Stickney Home.

The little "Jewels" of the Conference have raised $55.91 for Mothers' Jewels Home.

It is very gratifying to note an increase of members among the young people; yet there are still many Circles and Bands ready for work only waiting for leaders. We need *earnest leaders* for our young people's Home Missionary Societies in a large number of our Churches.

Shall we not have them?

(MRS.) W. A. BROWNELL,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

CENTRAL OHIO CONFERENCE.

CENTRAL OHIO CONFERENCE reports a year of good work, although the receipts have fallen a little below last year. This is due not to any lack of interest, but to the fact that several of our strongest Auxiliaries have failed to reach their usual amount because of new church enterprises. Several new Auxiliaries have been organized, and our membership considerably increased.

Never has there been shown more interest in district and Conference meetings. On several of the districts, by the aid of the presiding elder, a thorough canvass has been made, and our work presented, even where the charges are too small to support an organization. Subscribers to our paper have been secured and supplies promised, thus preparing the way for future organization. Our pastors are growing to look upon this work as a means of development and an uplift to their own people.

Our pledges have been met as follows: $355 to Miss Elliot's salary, King Home; $342 to the Asheville building; $70 to National Training-school, Washington, D. C.; $24 to Indian work; $127 for scholarships in Haven, Ritter, Allen, and Alaska Homes.

The Supply Department and Emergency Fund have not been overlooked.

Dr. Emily C. Miller, of the Yakima Indian Mission, was with us at our May meeting, and so awakened our sympathy for her much-loved Indians, that we determined to send her a barrel of supplies for Christmas distribution, almost every Auxiliary in the Conference contributing.

At our May meeting also we were fortunate in having with us Mrs. Hedges, Secretary of Bureau for Mississippi, who gave us facts fresh from the fields which she had recently visited.

Mrs. A. F. McVety and Mrs. D. Stecker were appointed to prepare programs for the monthly meeting for the entire year. Early in July their work was completed, the lessons coinciding with the monthly program in *Home Missions*. Fifteen hundred copies of this little booklet were printed and distributed through the Conference. If faithfully used in every Auxiliary, we shall have in the Central Ohio Conference a body of women thoroughly posted on every department of our work.

Our Conference anniversary was ably addressed by Professor Henrietta A. Bancroft, at Sidney, Ohio.

Our efficient Treasurer, Mrs. Avann, whose loyalty and devotion to the cause have inspired our Auxiliaries, has been in poor health for several months. Quick to plan and careful to execute when in health, we have missed her ready helpfulness the latter part of the year.

We trust our work this year has helped to make brighter some of the dark places in our own land; but the fullness and richness that has come into our own lives is ample reward for any sacrifices we have made. Truly, "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

MRS. M. H. DAVIS, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA CONFERENCE.

WE began this year under a cloud. Our beloved Sister Hammersley, so long by her wise counsel and her financial help a tower of strength to our Conference Society, had just laid down the cross of suffering for the crown of reward. Smarting under this loss, we came face to face with another. Our zealous and efficient co-worker, Mrs. M. R. Crawford, was disabled by sore affliction. The hand that had both given and gathered so successfully for the Master lost its cunning, and the tongue that had so often pleaded the cause of Home Missions was not quite so free to speak. But we are grateful that she is still spared to us, and that she has been able, though in great bodily weakness, to help a little in many ways. The Conference Society has voted to continue her in all her positions of trust, believing that her friends, especially the young girls of Williamsport, will loyally rally to her assistance.*

Our president, Mrs. A. W. Black, has been, in spite of ill-health, both faithful and efficient. Two camp-meeting anniversaries were conducted by her. At Mountain Grove she was assisted by Miss Anna Slate, with her "Map Talk on our Home Mission Fields;" and at Newton Hamilton by Mrs. J. A. McKee and Mrs. S. V. Heaton, our new Conference Organizer.

Mrs. Woodruff made the address at our Conference in March, and Mrs. Beiler, at our Annual Meeting at Harrisburg, Pa., made the three days' session a time long to be remembered.

Our deaconess work at Mt. Carmel and Shamokin, though conducted on a small scale, has prospered. Miss Bancroft has twice visited this work this autumn, and given it her approval. At Mt. Carmel the interest in the deaconess mission has been strengthened by the addition of a fine organ, set of singing-books, chairs, and supplies for the industrial classes, all donated by friends in Harrisburg.

Our pledges for the year have all been raised; some have been exceeded. Two hundred and twenty dollars in the mite-boxes met our pledge for five beneficiaries, $129 was paid for a scholarship in the National Training-school, and one girl was cared for at Ritter Home. To the Emergency Fund $100 has been given, and $50 each on salaries of

* Since the above was written Mrs. Crawford's earthly life has closed. She entered upon the life eternal December 20, 1898.—[ED.

Miss Sowle and Miss Mary Tripp. To the Asheville Building Fund $65, and to Rust Hall $10. There is not much advance in Young People's Work, but $65 from Mothers' Jewels encourages further effort in this direction.

Pledges for the year have been taken as follows: One-hundred-dollar scholarship in Training-school, $20 of this (besides $10 for a girl at Allen Home), is to come from the Queen Esthers of Mulberry Street, Williamsport; $60 from the Queen Esthers of Grace, Harrisburg, will support Nadia, Miss Sowle's native helper, at Unalaska. This girl is one of the first fruits of our mission there, being one of the six girls brought eight years ago from the seal islands by the captain of the *Bear*. Clearfield and Hollidaysburg will each raise $40 for a girl at Ritter Home, and Berwick will give $30, the half support of Tseung Ho in Chinese Mission at San Francisco. Two hundred and thirty dollars from the mite-boxes will render beneficiary aid to five children—Ida Ford, at Watts de Peyster, a child rescued from bad surroundings at Mt. Carmel; Louise Keehler, at Mothers' Jewels Home; Isaac Watts, at Stickney; Vasha Nezeroff, at Unalaska; and the other half support of Tseung Ho.

Fifteen Auxiliaries have pledged the salary of the deaconess at Mt. Carmel, and $200 more will be raised for other causes.

Three candidates from our Conference have recently entered the Training-school at Washington, all bright, cultured, and consecrated young women.

Our Secretary of Supplies is still efficient and faithful, and our Mite-box Secretary full of resources.

All our officers are, we believe, conscientiously doing what they can to help the Woman's Home Missionary Society in its great work of bringing in the kingdom of our Lord on earth.

MRS. T. L. TOMKINSON, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

CINCINNATI CONFERENCE.

THE Cincinnati Conference shows more extended interest in the work of our Woman's Home Missionary Society. Some new Auxiliaries and Circles have been formed within her bounds, and others are calling for help in organizing.

The Annual Meeting was held at Springfield with good results, and was most ably addressed in the evening by Mrs. E. L. Albright.

The district meetings have been held in all the districts, and much interest has been created. In the Cincinnati District, where they hold two such meetings each year, the work is especially flourishing.

The Anniversary Meeting at the session of the Annual Conference at Xenia was addressed by Dr. A. B. Leonard and Mrs. R. S. Rust.

To the Cincinnati Conference is accorded the honor of holding the first Conference of Mite-box Secretaries. Under the leadership of the able Secretary, Mrs. M. P. Brown, of Middletown, it was held at Dayton, and was most enthusiastic, resulting in an awakening in this branch of work in all the districts, and adding one hundred dollars more to the treasury over last year. The placing of a mite-box, as a forerunner, has resulted in the organization of two new Auxiliaries in the Dayton District.

No more important work occupies our interest than that of Glenn Industrial Home, located at Cincinnati, and the special work of our Conference. It is with pleasure we report the building all paid for. It has been the medium of great good to many of the unchurched poor in that large

city. Seven missionaries and kindergartners have been at work during the year. For details of the work, see Annual Report of the Chairman.

Surely the Supplies Department affords us an opportunity to "bear one another's burdens," and the Secretary reports, "While the value of supplies is not so great, there is an increased interest in a larger number of Auxiliaries."

The interest of the Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school is being energetically pushed, as well as interest in "Rust Hall," by Mrs. E. E. Buvinger.

Ours was the banner Conference last year in Young People's Work, and they have now finished another good year. We point with peculiar satisfaction to the evidences of constantly increasing interest among the children and young people. There is abundant reason to rejoice in the great promise this field affords. They have contributed liberally to the support of missionaries at Glenn Home, also to the Emergency Fund, and they generally observe Thank-offering with good results.

In some districts the *Home Missions* and *Children's Home Missions* are largely taken, while in others there is a lack of interest in these most valuable aids to the diffusion of missionary intelligence.

There is an improved interest in the Reading Course.

The Emergency Fund has received attention from Auxiliaries and individuals. Thank-offering is generally observed. The year, as a whole, has been a pleasant and prosperous one, and we press forward with renewed courage, and hope that greater things for the Master may be yet accomplished.

MRS. H. G. MARSHALL,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

COLORADO CONFERENCE.

THE Colorado Conference Woman's Home Missionary Society has many earnest and devoted friends, and the better it is known, the more it is loved.

We have passed a year of increased interest. We are organized into four districts, with efficient and faithful officers in each. There are still many charges where we have no Auxiliary, and yet the object of the Society is approved.

Many Churches feel that they have a Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and that is sufficient. But our own experience has been that the two Societies stimulate each other, and both prosper. We have been able to give, in money and supplies, to our frontier work $1,167.82. This has been a great help to our ministers in the mountains.

Our circulating library has done much good in aiding our young ministers to complete their courses of study.

We have sent $30.60 and clothing to our little girl in the "Mothers' Jewels Home" at York, Nebraska. I may say that she is supported almost wholly by the "Mothers' Jewels Bands" throughout our Conference. Our annual gift of $60 has been made to the Denver Missions. We are still interested in the Dulce Mission, New Mexico. A complete outfit of dishes was given the mission by our dear friend, Mrs. Senator Teller, through the Colorado Conference. We are assisting in the salary of a teacher among the Navajoes. The Broadway Church, of Pueblo, supports a scholarship in Alaska. A member of our Society, Mrs. William Lennox, has maintained a large modern nursery for waifs, under our auspices, at a cost of $1,001.08. This is successfully managed by our devoted Conference President, Mrs. A. C. Peck.

In October, 1897, in answer to earnest prayer, the deaconess work

was resuscitated, this time under the auspices of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. Miss Melissa Briggs, already well known and highly esteemed amongst us, was transferred from Salt Lake City to Denver. The work has grown, until at present we have a neat eight-roomed cottage, furnished by our Auxiliaries, the Epworth League, and by friends. There are at present four deaconesses in the house; also a full-blooded Apache Indian girl, Alice May. She is from the Teller Institute, at Grand Junction, Colorado. She is seventeen years of age, a refined Christian girl, and she intends to equip herself to be a missionary among her own people. We are greatly interested in her.

We have arranged for a colored lady to take the course of training in our Home, so that she may go among the ten thousand colored people of Denver as a consecrated deaconess. We have incorporated, and have adopted largely the rules of the Philadelphia Home. We are expecting daily Miss Deaton, a nurse-deaconess from Baltimore, when both oceans, the Gulf, and the Middle West will be represented in our workers. We have expended in deaconess work in seven months $403.90. We held during Conference our anniversary meeting, which was very largely attended, and productive of good results. The outlook for the coming year is most encouraging, and our hearts are cheered.

MRS. CLAUDIUS B. SPENCER, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

COLUMBIA RIVER CONFERENCE.

THE work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society in Columbia River Conference has been greatly restricted during the last few years for lack of some capable person to lead the forces. For the past two years there have been only two officers of any description outside the few Auxiliaries, a Conference Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer.

When Mrs. Whitfield, our General Organizer, turned over the work to us two years ago, there were the names of eight towns within this Conference where Woman's Home Missionary Societies had been organized. Upon writing the different Secretaries, we found that only three Societies were doing active work—Pasco, Milton, and Walla Walla. During the two years three others have become active—Pendleton, Moscow, and Spokane. In Pasco is a brave little Circle of six women, who are doing what they can for this work. Also at Milton earnest work has been done by a faithful treasurer, who gathers up what money she can and sends it in occasionally. Pendleton organized a little over a year ago, with only a few members, but a great deal of determination. We expect them to succeed. Walla Walla is one of the oldest Auxiliaries, and an important one, though the workers are few, and have not reached all they hoped for. However, we look for good results this coming year. The membership of these four Auxiliaries will average, perhaps, ten persons.

Moscow Auxiliary has taken on new life, as it were, since Sister Booth, the pastor's wife, went there to labor among them. She has proven to be a person well adapted to this work.

Vincent Church, Spokane, has organized an Auxiliary of twenty-two members, and has done splendid work during the past year. The pastor's wife, Mrs. W. K. Beans, possesses the right qualifications to direct such work, and was readily chosen as our new Conference President.

As we have scanned the field, so vast, so needy, so promising, and then noted the feeble efforts made in this cause, we confess to discourage-

ment. When the first year of our work as Secretary closed, there seemed to be nothing worth reporting to the Annual Meeting, so we did n't report. The second year was closing up with somewhat more of success; but a feeling that all was not being done for this Society that should be done.

When our Annual Conference met at Pullman, Wash., August 31st, to our great joy we found that our presiding Bishop had brought his wife—one of our Honorary Vice-Presidents—with him, Mrs. C. C. McCabe. At our anniversary exercises, Friday, September 2d, Mrs. McCabe addressed us in behalf of the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. As a result of her earnest, helpful, encouraging words, a Conference organization was effected at that time. Although it took some little time to find the proper persons and elect them to the different offices, still the spirit of the meeting was so triumphant that as soon as the election was dispensed with a familiar hymn was sung, a collection of ten dollars taken, and, instead of closing the service as we expected, a genuine Methodist praise-meeting was held, where souls were brought into touch with heavenly things in Christ Jesus. During this service the newly-elected officers and ladies interested in Home Missionary work, accompanied by Mrs. McCabe, withdrew to the lecture-room, where kindly advice and instruction were given by both the president and Sister McCabe, and, as we closed in a consecration prayer, "Heaven came down our souls to greet, while glory crowned the mercy-seat." Our faith takes hold for large things this year. (MRS.) MINNIE UREN-WARNER,

Conference Corresponding Secretary.

DES MOINES CONFERENCE.

ALTHOUGH the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society in the Des Moines Conference has suffered from lack of a well-organized working force, there is now a bright prospect for its future success. The Anniversary Meeting was held during the session of the Conference at Creston, at which time the interests of the Society were ably presented by Miss Ida Miner, a deaconess from the National Training-school at Washington, and Mrs. N. S. Brush, State President. Various charges throughout the Conference have been visited by these workers, and also by Professor Henrietta Bancroft and Miss Durham, deaconess, of Buffalo, N. Y., and, as a result, much interest has been aroused and substantial help afforded the cause by their efforts.

The location of the Bidwell Deaconess Home at Des Moines is most fortunate, for not only is Methodism greatly strengthened in our Capital City, but its influence is felt throughout the State. Miss Elizabeth Humphrey, the efficient superintendent, is a tireless worker, and through her efforts a practical example of the value of the deaconess work is being constantly set forth. A movement has recently been started towards the establishment of a Hospital in connection with the Home, and its promoters have every reason to believe that their plans may be brought to a successful issue.

There are a number of flourishing Auxiliary Societies in the larger Churches of the Conference, and as the Conference Board is full of enthusiasm for the work, the outlook is most encouraging.

(MISS) ARABELLA LITTLE, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

DETROIT CONFERENCE.

CYCLES come and go. Every year adds some points toward proficiency, that mark energy and faith and a going on to perfection. We are in labors abundant, with 102 organizations and with enthusiastic workers building roads, which will make the unorganized territory easy of access just a little later on. We have increased our subscribers to our organ, the *Woman's Home Missions*, by seventy. We take great interest in this publication. Our membership shows in six districts 218 net gain. We have published manuals the last two years, sending carefully broadcast three thousand each year, believing that knowledge shall make stable and multiply our workers. We have found that printer's ink pays.

We have also attended to the pledges for the Southern Homes, the Navajoes, Jesse Lee Home, Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school, Rust Hall, and the Oriental Work. Last year's report shows a marked increase in number of mite-boxes and amount within, but we have surpassed that report this year, by an increase of 223 boxes, and a gain in contents of more than forty per cent. Our deaconess work shows steady, systematic, business-like adherence in gospel methods and pursuits. Our Board is sympathetically interested in our deaconesses, as well as their work reported. The Detroit Home has twelve workers. Seventy audiences have shown appreciation of addresses these sisters have given during the year concerning their work.

On account of the large amount of frontier work, we take much interest in our Ministers' Loan Library. Our books are almost exclusively in the Course of Study. We have 725 volumes, and have circulated this year nearly six hundred of these among seventy-seven young ministers. We have received one bequest of $700. I think it is a careful summing up of the state of affairs from a correspondence much larger than last year, that the Detroit Conference Society is entering upon the most prosperous year of its fifteen.

MRS. WM. B. POPE,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

EAST OHIO CONFERENCE.

THE delegates and visitors from East Ohio Conference, who were privileged to attend the National Meeting last year, returned to their homes with the determination to do more thorough, aggressive work throughout the Conference than they had hitherto done. A meeting of the Executive Board was called, and an Organizer was appointed in each of the eight Conference districts. Auxiliaries were urged to send to the New York Book Room for missionary leaflets and literature. The claims of our papers, *Woman's Home Missions* and *Children's Home Missions*, were presented. An earnest effort was made to introduce mite-boxes into every Auxiliary, and we determined to make an increased effort to secure the hearty co-operation of the ministers throughout the Conference. Our earnest efforts have been crowned with a degree of success. We have supported scholarships in several of the Homes, and have redeemed the pledges made at the National Meeting; in some instances, notably in pledge for Emergency Fund, more than doubling amount promised. Eighty dollars was given during the year towards the salaries of missionaries, and other special funds were generously remembered. The Deaconess Home at Cleveland is doing a much needed work, and

is gaining the favor and confidence of ministers and people throughout the Conference. The Industrial Home and the St. Clair Street Mission, which owe their existence to the labors of the deaconesses, are doing a blessed work for the poor and unchurched people of the city. We raised $2,240 for the Home last year, and received a donation of $1,000, to be applied towards an endowment fund. The Annual Meeting held last May at Cambridge was very helpful and inspiring. The attendance of the Conference Anniversary was very large, and the meeting was a most delightful one. Five new Auxiliaries and three Queen Esther Circles have been formed during the year. The reports from many of the Auxiliaries are very incomplete, and much that is done by them is never reported. While grateful for what has been accomplished, we realize that there yet remains very much to be done before we can say that we are striving with every energy to promote our cause. But we are thankful that we can report progress. We believe the leaven is working. And we are praying for the day when there shall be a Woman's Home Missionary Society, not only in every Church within the bounds of our own Conference, but in every Methodist Episcopal Church throughout the length and breadth of our own great land.

"All we have willed or hoped or dreamed
Of good shall exist;
Not its semblance, but itself.".

ELIZA K. ARTER, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

EAST TENNESSEE CONFERENCE.

THERE has been a forward movement in our Conference this year, an increase of three Auxiliaries and a larger amount of money raised for membership dues than in any previous year. Some of our ministerial brethren are in accord with us, while others get the wrong view of the work, and consider what is done for the General Society is not Home Missionary work. They believe with us in doing for the needy of our own Church and town; but outside of this the work is looked upon as Foreign Mission work.

In August the Smithville District Association was held at New River, and one minister stated before the meeting that we had no right to take collection when we hold our district meeting and anniversaries, and use the money for our general work, but that such money should be given to the Church where the meeting is held, or to the pastor in charge, and the pastor of the charge caused a Committee to be appointed on finances, and they distributed the twenty-three dollars raised as they saw fit. All the preachers present save one agreed with this manner of things.

The Corresponding Secretary has a great deal to contend with trying to defend the general work of the Society; but when the clergy get the wrong view, the people are apt to have the wrong impression, for they think he is the one to lead. I have endeavored to get our Auxiliaries to look outside of their own firesides and communities. We would like to see the work in its broadest sense. It has been my aim to impress the fact that our deaconesses and missionaries are doing the local work in a more thorough and practical manner than we ever hope to do. Therefore it is best to devote their energies largely to raising money for our missionary's salary, and for the beneficiaries in our Industrial Schools and Homes.

I am glad to report that our Home at Morristown has a most successful opening this season. Three girls have gone from Bristol, and write that they are delighted with the Home and the training received.

Lee Street Auxiliary deserves special mention for sending a box of provisions to the New Jersey Home, valued at six dollars. We have sent a few subscribers to the paper, and hope to get more soon. We thank God for the past, and take courage for the future, knowing that the work is his, and he alone can give success.

MRS. CORA PROVINE,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

ERIE CONFERENCE.

DURING the past year the Conference Secretary has labored under some disadvantage because of a protracted illness, which prevented her attendance at the several district meetings. Personal contact with district officers and Auxiliary representatives in these meetings is her tower of strength, as well as her bureau of information. Subscriptions to *Woman's Home Missions* and *Children's Home Missions*, our Young People's Work, our quarterly reports, and finance have especially suffered. The September report is quite discouraging, but we hope it will not affect our average. We have, however, made some advance in membership. Six new Auxiliaries, one Circle, and one Band have been organized, and a number of Mothers' Jewels have been gathered.

The Annual Conference Board Meeting was held at Chautauqua Assembly grounds in July, the management giving free admission, and Chautauqua boarding-houses free entertainment. Some important changes have been made in our Conference officers. Mrs. F. H. Beck, our long-tried and always faithful Treasurer, declined re-election, and Mrs. W. J. Smith, Northeast Pennsylvania, is her successor. Mrs. Pinney, the efficient Recording Secretary, also declined the work, and Mrs. Fannie O. Bailey succeeds her. Mrs. Smith, in assuming the work of Treasurer, gave the Supplies work over to Mrs. Jane Mead, of Corry, Pa.

Our Conference Anniversary was an unusual success. Mrs. Baker, our Conference President, was in the chair. Mrs. I. D. Jones, of Cincinnati, came to us full of the Spirit and ready in the work. She riveted the attention of preachers and people, and in a happy and convincing manner led them to see the need of the Woman's Home Missionary Society and the scope of its work. Her visit was gratefully received and greatly appreciated. Our scholarships are assumed for the ensuing year; also the support of a missionary, Miss Baldwin. The year opens with good promise, and we go forward In His Name.

ANNIE M. CUMMINGS, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

GENESEE CONFERENCE.

WE have no discouraging word to bring from Genesee Conference. Never since its organization has better work been done or more enthusiastic service given by both district and Auxiliary officers and members.

During the year there have been eight new organizations—two Auxiliaries, four Circles, and two Mission Bands. This number is not so large as we hoped it would be at the beginning of the year, yet it is an encouraging fact that the general interest in the work of our Society is increasing throughout the Conference. This is shown by the increasing

membership in many of the Auxiliaries, and a growing interest in all the departments of work.

Nearly all of the six districts have held two public meetings during the year, with good results. A three days' institute was held at Silver Lake Assembly in August, which was well attended, and great interest manifested. It closed with the usual anniversary on Sunday evening, August 14th.

Nearly all of the organizations—Circles and Bands, as well as Auxiliaries—have raised money in excess of their membership dues for special work, and some of the Societies have raised large amounts. Most of the Auxiliaries have sent one or more barrels of supplies to our frontier ministers or Industrial Homes, or both.

The deaconess work in our Conference is becoming more thoroughly established and more highly appreciated each year, and the open doors for the entrance of our deaconesses are multiplying so rapidly, that it is difficult to find enough workers.

A hearty response has been given to the call for the Emergency Fund, and $221.50 have been raised for that purpose; $66.50 have been raised for Asheville Home, $50 for Harwood Home, $106.14 for Alaska, and $37 for the Indians. Money has also been raised in smaller amounts for Rust Hall, Rest Home, Browning and Mothers' Jewels Homes, and a few other places. For deaconess work we have raised $2,561.

The outlook for the year, upon which we have already entered, is most encouraging, and we confidently expect that our Heavenly Father will so direct and help us, that we shall be able to report at its close the best year in our history.

(MRS.) E. B. GREEN,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

ILLINOIS CONFERENCE.

SINCE September, 1897, the Woman's Home Missionary Society of Illinois Conference has added eleven new Auxiliaries to its list of Societies. These Auxiliaries represent 154 new workers in the field. During the year thousands of dollars have been distributed by our organizations, in supplies sent to our meagerly-paid ministers in the frontier work, help to our schools, and to mission work among the Indians, the Bohemians, the Chinese, the Japanese, the Italians, the colored people of the South, and the isolated mountain whites. During the year the Conference Secretary has traveled more than five hundred miles, has written four hundred letters, distributed two hundred and fifty Annual Reports among the local Societies, besides large quantities of other literature pertaining to the interests of Home Missions.

The Annual Meeting of our Conference Society was held at Saybrook, Illinois, and was in every point an encouragement to a forward movement in all departments of the work.

A legacy of six thousand dollars has been left to our Illinois Conference work by the will of the late Miss Johnson, of Urbana.

Among our young people we have several flourishing organizations, and we are pushing the work along these lines.

Our paper, *Woman's Home Missions*, lost some subscribers because of the advance in the subscription price, but it is still taken by each of our Auxiliaries, and proves very helpful to all, for it has as many readers, if not more than before its improvement.

There were some changes made as to Conference officers at our recent Annual Meeting, which it is hoped will greatly help on the work

of Woman's Home Missions in Illinois Conference throughout the year 1898-99.

Pledges for the present year in money are as large as formerly, and no abatement of our work as to supplies will occur. Our motto in all departments is in keeping with the sentiment of the times, expansion.

(MISS) MARY S. PEGRAM, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

INDIANA CONFERENCE.

THE Indiana Conference of the Woman's Home Missionary Society now includes in its work seven districts out of eight, in which the organization is represented. While in three of these the representation is small, it is the beginning of greater things. Central Avenue Auxiliary reports the largest membership, one hundred and four; Hall Place the largest financial report, five hundred and eighteen dollars.

Every line of work has been well brought up, except the subscriptions to our paper. We expect to make an advance in this direction during the year. Helpful and enthusiastic district meetings have been held, and anniversaries at camp-meetings, receiving inspiration and renewed zeal for the work from the eloquent addresses and appeals from such representative women as Mrs. James Dale, Mrs. I. D. Jones, Miss Bancroft, and Miss Durham,—Miss Durham making an itinerary through the southern part of the Conference, beginning at the time of the anniversary at the Annual Conference. This itinerary was most satisfactory in awakening an interest for Home Missions in the unorganized Churches, receiving liberal donations for the work, and in securing the names of more than twenty young ladies who desire to take a course of training in the National Training-school at Washington, D. C.; also securing the promise of some valuable property for the deaconess work.

At the Acton Camp-meeting a two days' meeting was held, with very gratifying results. A reception was given at the missionary cottage, everybody on the grounds invited, and the invitation was accepted, making a throng of people present, who received a glad welcome to this place of rest, for such this cottage really is.

Miss Rose Robertson, of the New Orleans Italian work, was most helpful at the Deputy Camp-meeting, and has given to Moores Hill and Seymour Districts some valuable work, creating an especial interest in the Italian work.

One of the most important matters in connection with one of the early meetings of the Conference Executive Board was the appointment of Mrs. A. E. Kiger, of West Newton, as an Organizer, and she has already organized several new Auxiliaries. The treasurer's report shows nearly every pledge met. We have aided during the year eight different fields of work. In cash, have exceeded last year by over three hundred dollars.

Preliminary steps have been taken by the united Conferences towards establishing a Hospital and Deaconess Home in Indianapolis. Miss Schwartz, of Mt. Carmel, Pa., has been placed in charge, with a fair prospect of success. The curtain has been drawn aside, giving the merest glimpse of what has filled the busy days of the one thousand three hundred and two members who compose this Conference Society. We are very grateful for the good measure of success that has crowned the work of the year, making it possible to give you the record of another year, the best in the history of this Conference. We know no such word as fail. Onward is the motto.

A. V. P. ADAMS, *Secretary.*
MRS. L. A. WINGATE, *Assistant.*

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE.

THERE is a great work for us to do in the South. The field is opening to us as never before. At the last meeting of the Louisiana Conference we carried $47 as our contribution to the Woman's Home Missionary Society. An earnest effort is being made to awaken more interest in giving. There have been several new Auxiliaries organized, and six old ones strengthened. I organized four Juvenile Bands at Jeanerette, where we now have a membership of fifty children. These children have sent five dollars for their assessment, and one dollar for their paper. They have a great many destitute ones among them that need our help. Also at New Iberia our little ones were organized a month ago, and are working to send their assessment. The Auxiliary at New Iberia, under the leadership of Mrs. Bowles, is doing a good work. At Alexandria the work is increasing in interest, under the leadership of Mrs. Varner, its president.

A few days ago I received a letter from one of our colored soldiers at Santiago de Cuba, pleading for help. Surely the harvest is great, but the laborers are few. God send us laborers, and more consecrated women for his vineyard. You that are able, open your hearts and your hands to help those who are less fortunate. The Lord greatly bless the Woman's Home Missionary Society in its Christlike work!

MRS. D. M. WALKER, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

MAINE CONFERENCE.

WE note the increase in interest and numbers in our Conference during the past year with gratitude to Him who hath caused His face to shine upon us. Mrs. Anna F. Beiler gave the Conference address at our anniversary. The good news that she brought from a far land was an inspiration. Our new president, Mrs. H. C. Beedy, has been abundant in good works, and brings a fresh re-enforcement to the service. The District Secretaries, though confronted with obstacles, are gleaning faithfully. Mrs. Freeman reports two district meetings, and these add much to the interest in that part of the Conference. The camp-meetings on the other districts afforded an opportunity for missionary services.

The Poland mission meeting was a very successful one. Beside the papers read, Mrs. Jennie Fowler Willing gave an address in her usual interesting manner. At East Livermore a half day was assigned us, and addresses by Mrs. Beedy, Ladd, Palmer, and Miss Storey occupied the time. Supplies were secured for the East Boston Immigrants Home, the Atlanta Home, and several new members were added. At the Strong meeting, Mrs. Beedy gave the address. Our presiding elders kindly gave our Societies room and encouragement. Our way is easy when the pastors prepare it for us.

Our agent reports supplies valued at more than $700 sent east, west, and south, this sum being an advance of more than $100 over the amount raised last year. One hundred dollars has been raised for local needs. The Mite-box Secretary has distributed four dozen of these useful gleaners. Miss Douglass, Superintendent of Young People's Work, is aggressive and progressive, sending out circular letters urging Junior Leagues to lend a hand ,and in other lines trying to interest the young

people. Some of our Auxiliaries are contributing money to furnish a room in the Rust Home, Washington, in memory of our late beloved sister, Mrs. D. B. Randall.

The sickness and death of a daughter have called me to home duties, but we hope, through our tears, to see how to wipe away the tears of other sorrowing ones.

SARAH F. PALMER,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

MICHIGAN CONFERENCE.

I AM pleased to report that the work of the year has been successful, and that it presents indications of continued prosperity. At the session of the Annual Conference, held one year ago in September, the presiding elders' districts were reduced from nine to seven. This naturally disorganized our district work, and caused some confusion. But very soon the work was again satisfactorily adjusted, and we believe we are benefited, inasmuch as it made the districts stronger. Five of the seven districts held their Annual Meetings during the months of April and May. I was present at four of these, and noticed a marked interest and hopefulness in the spirit of the workers.

The other two districts are in Northern Michigan, and partially on missionary territory. The secretaries of these districts have been most faithful and indefatigable in their labors, so that now we have quite a foothold and a few prosperous Auxiliaries. Our last Annual Meeting was held on one of these districts. It was pronounced one of the best, and the best in attendance, of all our Annual Meetings. Mr. M. C. B. Mason gave an evening address to a packed house. The address was thoroughly in the interest of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. It gained many friends for us. Every year we do our work more systematically. Each district becomes responsible for a certain amount for special work, and then apportions it to its respective Auxiliaries. During the year we supported six scholarships, paid the salary of the superintendent of the New Jersey Home, twenty-five dollars for Rust Hall, forty-six dollars on the Emergency Fund. Besides these, smaller sums have been paid to Emerson Home, Immigrant Home, York Home, and others. We have also paid for deaconess work in our Conference $824. The mite-box collection was increased over last year. The Thank-offering meetings were more generally held, with increased collections. The amount for supplies not quite as good as last year.

The superintendent of Grand Rapids Deaconess Home reports a successful year in the training-school, with four students. One deaconess, Miss Cummins, is doing work in Grand Rapids, and one, Miss Bell, in Jackson. The work of the deaconesses meets with much favor in both places. In organization, we are rather discouraged. The Young People's Work and Reading Circles we count almost a failure. The Society has been well represented at all the camp-meetings. We need no longer plead for permission to hold services, but are rather solicited to do so. Collections are no longer out of order. Four new Auxiliaries were organized during the year, and thirty-four camp-meeting members secured. The notes on the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society in our Church papers are a great help to us, as they contain much information and keep the Society before the people. The results of the year, although not large, are encouraging. We enter the new year, praying and hoping for greater advancement.

MRS. LEVI MASTER,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

MINNESOTA AND NORTHERN MINNESOTA CONFERENCES.

IN labors we have been abundant, and in prayers fervent for the increase and progress of our Woman's Home Missionary Society work throughout our proud State. In March, at Morris, a new Auxiliary came into actual existence, which to-day numbers forty members, with twenty-two subscribers to *Home Missions* and a fine Reading Circle. In June, through the help of our beloved Mrs. B. S. Potter, others were organized at Forest Heights, Minneapolis; Clinton Avenue, St. Paul; Rochester, Blue Earth City, Winnebago City, and at Elmore; still more recently, one at Lake Crystal. Also during the summer Mrs. Jane Bancroft Robinson organized a strong Auxiliary at Duluth. Mrs. J. M. Martin, a devoted and loyal sister, recently passed to her reward. She was numbered among the charter members of our State work, and served most untiringly as Corresponding Secretary in the Hennepin Avenue Auxiliary, and latterly as president of the same. To her blessed memory the Minnesota Conferences have subscribed $50 for Mothers' Jewels Home, in which she held so deep an interest. Further subscriptions have been made by the same, of $50 for King Home, Texas; $50 for Hospital at Unalaska; $50 for Immigrant Home by Hennepin Avenue Auxiliary; $60 for Watts de Peyster Home, by young people of Hennepin Avenue Church; $50 for Immigrant Home, by First Church, St. Paul; and I presume many of our former scholarships will be continued.

Now, dear sisters, when at Baltimore we made our maiden appeal for the present Annual Meeting to be held in our city of sunshine, it was not honestly for the "loaves and fishes" we could offer you, but that you might come in touch with the enterprise and loyalty of our State sisterhood, and that they might know more clearly something of the vastness of our magnificent work and much of the exalted personality and executive ability of our governing body and representatives connected from all parts of our Union, for the blessing it might be to all concerned for love of Christ and in His Name.

MRS. JOHN TAYLOR,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

MISSOURI CONFERENCE.

THE Missouri Conference Woman's Home Missionary Society has many things with which to contend, and the growth of our work is necessarily slow. But we feel sure that the time will come, and is not far distant, when our beloved Society will receive the recognition due her. Paul says, "For ye have need of patience, that after ye have done the will of God ye might receive the promise." Patience is the one thing needful in this field of work.

Our Conference Anniversary was a season of joy and inspiration. Mrs. Bishop McCabe was with us, and delighted all by her cordiality and an intensely interesting address of ten minutes. She was followed by that eloquent and gifted speaker, Mrs. J. R. Woodcock. It was an afternoon long to be remembered. Our work was presented at various camp-meetings, and many there promised future assistance.

A trip of ten days through the northwest part of our territory resulted in the organization of two Auxiliaries and some ten members to our Conference Society; a distribution of one hundred Jewel cards and mite-boxes, and about two thousand pages of literature.

Mrs. Spurlock spent one Sunday with us, giving addresses in the First Church and Oakland Church, St. Joseph. Her coming brought with it the encouragement needed.

Owing to our removal from the Conference, we close our work in this special field, and place it in the hands of Mrs. C. H. Black, of First Church, St. Joseph, who is in sympathy and love with our work, and enters upon the duties of Corresponding Secretary well fitted for the office. Our prayers will ever be for this field, where we have labored hard and done what we could to bring the Society before the people. We shall take up the work of our Society in our new home, though in another capacity, and will do all that is possible. MRS. PRICE A. CROW,

Conference Corresponding Secretary.

NEBRASKA CONFERENCE.

WITH one exception, the five districts of our Conference Society have held a meeting of deep profit; and from that one missing link very recently came words of cheer, leading us to believe that next year our district chain of meetings will be complete.

Our exhibit from the Mothers' Jewels National Home at the Trans-Mississippi Exposition we believe will help us as a Society, by advertising us in name and deed.

The Mothers' Jewels Home in the bounds of our Conference is still dispensing its blessings to both those who give and the children who receive. Mr. and Mrs. Spurlock continue their untiring labors, and God is with them. We in Nebraska believe it was wisdom—yes, if we use the term righteously, might we not say, it was policy—to place a man who has been known so widely in our State, and who stands as a man among men as Mr. Spurlock does, at the head of our interests. We account it a privilege to have within our Conference Mrs. Angie Newman, and rejoice that regaining health allows her presence publicly among us again.

Many discouraging features meet us in our work in Nebraska. We so often lay a new-born Home Missionary babe in some Church cradle, only to find that, through the transitory life of our State's people, in a few months the nurses who were interested in caring for the little one have removed, and the child of our hope has been left to perish. This is the history that is constantly repeating itself. It is only by comparison with our very beginnings that we can keep courage for further effort. We can not lose sight of the fact that much of our territory yet has to be listed under the head, "Recipient." However, when we count our thirty-six Auxiliaries, representing $400+ and $550+ in vouchers, we feel that "Hold fast" shall be our motto.

We ask that your patience and prayers may be ours until such strength may come to us. MRS. ANNIE HOBBS WOODCOCK,

Conference Corresponding Secretary.

NEWARK CONFERENCE.

THE Newark Conference is among the pioneers in Woman's Home Missionary endeavor, our Society having been established in the fourth year of the existence of the National Society, and we celebrated, at our Annual Meeting held during this month, the fourteenth year of active Society work. Those who laid the foundations counted not in vain upon that which was to follow as the result of their wise foresight.

The Annual Meeting, which was held in Morristown, N. J., in October, though embracing reports for a year of only eleven months, showed substantial advance in nearly every direction. Our faithful National President, Mrs. Fisk, was with us, and cheered us by her words of appreciation, while she also gave us an insight into the work, the result of her broad outlook over the whole field. Our members have increased in Auxiliaries and Young People's Societies. We have gained several new Auxiliaries, Circles, Bands, and Jewels. Our efficient Secretary of Young People's Work, Mrs. E. C. Dutcher, has accomplished a large increase among those who are in training for efficient Home Missionary work in their maturer years. A pleasing feature of this department has been the help which she has so often received from Junior Epworth Leagues. It is sometimes difficult to institute Auxiliaries among those who never entertained the thought of organized work for Christ by the women of the Churches; but surely these little ones, thus early trained to do something for Him, will prove faithful workers in many fields in the years that may be just ahead of us. No time can be lost that is spent in training the young along lines of systematic benevolence.

A thorough district organization, which has been in operation during the two years just past, has materially lightened the clerical labors of the Corresponding Secretary, and has resulted in a large increase of memberships. With the new impetus derived from the reviving business of our country, we look for even greater results in the year to come, by the blessing of God on faithful and consecrated labor.

In the Newark District an added interest has been given to the work of the Society in Jersey City by the successful establishment of a Deaconess Home. When the last report was made to this National Convention, Newark Conference Deaconess Home was but an experiment, having been just inaugurated in small apartments in Jersey City. Now it is an established and successful factor in our Methodism in that city, and the pastors of our Churches gladly bear testimony to the efficient help of our deaconesses in their Church work. It is the hope and desire of those who overlook the field, that at some time not far distant there may be one established in Newark, our metropolis.

The local work in Newark has received the attention of the Auxiliaries of that city during the year as usual. By an arrangement made with the City Church Extension Society, part of the support of the missionaries assisting in the work has been assumed by the Church Extension Society, so that not so large an amount of money as formerly will be found reported for the local work; but our interest in the success of that work has not ceased, and we hope to see an increase of opportunity for doing good in that direction.

Our Camp-meeting Anniversary, held as usual at Camp Tabor, was of interest to all who were favored to listen to the earnest words of those who there presented our various causes.

The supply work, through our Secretary, Mrs. Boswell, shows an unflagging interest on the part of our women to secure the good of those less fortunately situated than themselves, many of whom are as truly bearing the reproach of the Cross in some of the outposts of our work, as did the apostles of old when they started out upon the first missionary work of the Christian Church.

Our various pledges, made at last National Convention, have all been met. We feel it a privilege to assist in the educational work of the Society by supporting scholars in Jesse Lee, Stickney, Boylan, Harwood, Watts de Peyster, and New Jersey Homes. It has been the endeavor of the Corresponding Secretary to impress upon the Auxiliaries the importance

of sustaining this branch of our work, and we are glad that they have so fully responded to leadings in this direction.

The Emergency Fund has received the attention of many, and we hope to make a contribution to it of some size by means of our Thank-offerings in November, which we will devote to that purpose.

Thus the year has been filled with varied service "For the love of Christ and in His Name." These which we have noted have been the public manifestations of our love, and the desire we have that his work may grow and his kingdom spread in the hearts and lives of those who live in this, our native land

(MRS.) CHARLES E. HILL,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

NEW ENGLAND CONFERENCE.

NEW ENGLAND CONFERENCE has during the past year kept in touch with a large number of fields of labor, through its contributions to the support of Asheville, Browning, Haven, Thayer, King, Ritter, Bennett, Jesse Lee, Albuquerque, Stickney, Watts de Peyster, Lucy Webb Hayes Homes, as well as for work among the Navajoes and Orientals, and $155 has been added to the Emergency Fund. Within its own Conference limits it has grand work at two centers. The Immigrant Home, in East Boston. The hands of the superintendent, Mrs. A. C. Clark, and her faithful assistant, Miss Lillian Huff, are filled daily. It is, perhaps, more in the care of the immigrants who may come to the Home, than in the work done upon the wharf, that the greatest wisdom is needed. Characters of supposed friends of the girls are investigated, and thus a lifetime of misery, or possibly of shame, is ofttimes saved the girls. The sewing-school and neighborhood work are sources of great help to the community about the Home, and several times an orphaned little one has found comfort in Mrs. Clark's motherly arms night after night until provision could be made for it. During August and September there were more cared for in the Home than ever before in the corresponding months. The tenth anniversary, in May, was celebrated with appropriate exercises and addresses in the chapel, the annual sale and the raising of a flag, which has been a source of joy and pride to the neigbhorhood since it was first given to the breeze. The cost of supporting the Home was $1,560.

The Medical Mission, at the North End of Boston, with Professor Harriette J. Cooke as superintendent, gains in influence and usefulness. During the past three months Miss H. M. Newell, a graduate of the Lucy Webb Hayes Deaconess Home, has been rendering most efficient service as assistant. An increase has been made in the number of clinics held, and the people are gaining confidence in doctor and nurse. Its power as a spiritual force is not among the things that can be reported in this world. Christ's own life and mission is being brought home to the hearts of these poor, ignorant people through the lives and ministry of his followers. Barriers between Jew and Christian are being broken down, and there is less opposition than formerly from Roman Catholics. Twelve hundred different patients have been treated, the doctor has made four thousand calls, and the nurse, Miss Addie Wade, seven hundred and seventy-two calls. An appropriation of $1,150 is to be asked for the work the coming year.

Two Auxiliaries and three Circles have been organized.

At the Conference Anniversary, held in Worcester in April, Mrs. A. F. Beiler, as the speaker of the hour, graphically portrayed her expe-

riences in Alaska. Mrs. Chapman of Ritter, and Miss Russell of Browning Home, visited the Conference during the summer, and stirred our people as workers from the field always do.

With every year the work grows, and in the Master's strength we trust to be ready to enter whatever doors may open.

SARAH WYMAN FLOYD, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

NEW ENGLAND SOUTHERN CONFERENCE.

THE work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the New England Southern Conference during the past year, all and in all, has been a grand one, and one in which we may take much pride.

Prompt and thoughtful attention has characterized every request of each district secretary, and their interest has increased the interest of every Auxiliary. At the meeting of the General Board of Managers in Baltimore last October, the Conference was pledged in the sum of $265, and so grandly has the trust been fulfilled, that every pledge has been paid, and $185.62 received over amount pledged. Several new Auxiliaries have been formed during the year, through the efforts of our Conference President, Mrs. T. J. Everett. In three other instances much interest was awakened, which we expect will result in the formation of successful Auxiliaries.

In view of the fact that there are twenty-five thousand members of our Church in the New England Southern Conference, and only a small proportion of them actively engaged in our work, which all must agree is of the highest importance, we trust that to the duty of enlarging our borders and strengthening our numbers our very best efforts will be given the coming year.

Our delightful paper, the *Woman's Home Missions*, in its new dress, and filled each month with so much that is instructive and interesting, is not so generally taken as it deserves; but we hope the coming year to push this part of the work, that to our zeal may be added knowledge.

The children must also be more strongly interested in this cause, or our places will not be filled, and that will mean the death of a grand work.

Knowing our duty, may we perform it so well that the coming year may be the most successful!

MRS. J. A. SOUTHARD,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

NEW HAMPSHIRE CONFERENCE.

IT is with gratitude we report an increase the past year of three new Auxiliaries, and continued prosperity and increased membership in many old ones.

Our pledges were more than met, and the grand total of our receipts was slightly more than last year, without counting a legacy of one hundred dollars.

In the early part of the year, Mrs. E. C. Miller, of the Yakima Mission, gave us a week's work, speaking in several Churches where there were no Auxiliaries, and at an Executive Board meeting in Manchester, N. H. Much interest was manifested, and two strong new Auxiliaries resulted before the end of the year.

The Camp-meeting Anniversaries were unusually successful. Mrs. Chapman, of Ritter Home, proved a most captivating speaker.

During the Conference session, held at Dover, N. H., a special effort

was made to distribute the Society literature, and many packages of assorted leaflets were given away, as well as Annual Reports, *Home Missions*, and children's papers. We are confident a larger interest was by this means aroused in our work. Mrs. A. F. Beiler was the speaker at our Conference Anniversary, and gave us a most instructive address on Alaska.

The Annual Meeting was held in Grace Church, Haverhill, Mass., September 23d. The Treasurer's report was a cause for thankfulness. Advance had been made in the Mothers' Jewels work, and the supply agent gave a most encouraging report.

We take up the work of another year, trusting for help in the One who has led us hitherto.

SARAH J. BRAGG,
President of Conference Society.

NEW JERSEY CONFERENCE.

OUR promise last year, of "earnest, faithful effort for Him who has given us the promise of the Inasmuch," has been kept in ways that are telling to the credit of those who have been in "labors abundant."

Our Conference Anniversary was made attractive and interesting by the presence of Mrs. Beiler and our National President. Two other anniversaries have been held, at Ocean City and Pitman Grove.

At Ocean City Mrs. May Leonard Woodruff presented the needs of the general work, and Miss Josephine Corbin told the story of her work as a deaconess in Philadelphia. The addresses of these speakers received marked attention, and left a good impression.

At Ocean City we found a number of the workers of the Philadelphia Conference, and Mesdames Palen and Kynett rendered helpful service.

We are glad to report that the district officers have done faithful work throughout the year, thereby enabling us to record Auxiliaries organized at New Egypt, Bradley Beach, Rancocas, and Collingswood, beside a Queen Esther Circle in Centenary Church, Camden.

When the call came for the painting of our New Jersey Home at Morristown, Tenn., the women of New Jersey Conference were delighted, because we were rich enough to pay the entire expense necessary for its "new dress." At the Baltimore meeting $125 was pledged special to the General Treasurer. At this date the books of our Treasurer show that $591 have been sent by our Auxiliaries to the various departments needing funds.

MRS. G. M. P. WELLS,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

NEW YORK CONFERENCE.

OUR General Society has two institutions located within the bounds of our Conference, whose work is in the direct line of answering the prayer of the Savior, "I pray, not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that thou shouldest keep them from the evil."

The Watts de Peyster Home for homeless girls, on the shores of the beautiful Hudson River, where home, parental love and care, and Christian training are being given to fifty-four girls. By and by they will step out into life, prepared, equipped, *saved*.

The Immigrant Girls' Home, in commodious new quarters, extends its arms of wise protection and love. Just across from the Barge Office, No. 9 State Street, are the wide-open doors of welcome. A white-hearted

messenger of God's love meets every ship, and saves the girls. A lost girl! Is there a note in the universe more appalling to a thoughtful heart? How many have been saved from the ways that take hold on hell! Each Conference that has assisted in this work by an annual contribution, has helped to make this possible.

Let every Conference be represented in this hand of welcome and helpfulness extended to the "stranger within our gates."

But I must tell you what we are doing as a Conference. Watts de Peyster Home and Immigrant Girls' Home are in the forefront as never before. Our supply department is strong and enthusiastic. Last year we stood only second in the list of Conferences. This year we have gained $500. Our pledges, made at the last Annual Meeting to the various departments of the work, eleven in number, were all met, and we have come this year prepared to more than double the amount of these pledges.

We have secured during the year eleven beneficiaries to Watts de Peyster Home, besides large contributions to this fund in the General Society. We have also made one dear woman new to our work an Honorary Life Manager, through her generous gifts to the Society of more than three hundred dollars. A bequest of five hundred dollars from Miss Hilah S. Russell was given largely to the Western work. We have not gained this year in number of Auxiliaries, but we have gained in number of members and in number of subscribers, both to *Woman's Home Missions* and *Children's Home Missions*, and also in mite-box work. Our treasurer reports in totals $3,443 for the year. One of the most delightful things of the year has been the furnishing of a room in the Bancroft Rest Home at Ocean Grove, and naming it for our much loved and honored National President, Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk, who is one of our most active, interested members of the New York Conference Society.

MRS. J. W. CAMPBELL, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

NEW YORK EAST CONFERENCE.

TIME flies so rapidly, and the year seems so short for all we would like to accomplish in it, that as we look back it seems but yesterday we stood here in your presence, prophesying the bright things we hoped might be in the coming year for New York East Conference Society, and lo! we are here again to tell of their fulfillment.

Our Conference all-day meetings, held quarterly, have been seasons of refreshing indeed. Our National President has been with us at every meeting, aiding by her counsel and inspiring us by her presence.

At the Conference Anniversary in March, Mrs. Beiler won all hearts to sympathetic action in aid of Alaska, after which the service for the dedication of deaconesses was held, and three new deaconesses took upon themselves the vows of devotion to God in this important line of service.

In the January meeting Mrs. Hazlett presented Young People's Work, and Mrs. Miller the Indian question.

At the May meeting we were favored with the presence of Mrs. Park, of New York, and Mrs. Frost, of Newark, who rallied us on the subject of Reading Circles. Drs. Dunton and Bulkly, of Claflin University, spoke in high praise of the work and character of our girls in Simpson Home, Orangeburg. Dr. Henderson, the pastor, as also Dr. Iglehardt, at a previous meeting held at his Church, greatly encouraged us by his eloquent words of commendation and approval.

Our district meetings, held each month, have also been real Ebenezers, from which we have come with fresh desires and high resolves and new enthusiasm for the work.

We have met the pledges made for the year, and more: Alaska, Tivoli Home, Deaconess Rest Home, Stickney Home, Rust Hall, Harwood Home, Immigrant Home, the Emergency Fund, Missionary Salary Fund, and our own Deaconess Home all sharing in our contributions, beside our local work, in which $640 was expended.

Then we have the most indefatigable Secretary of Supplies, who this year reports $2,515.15 sent out from her department, good substantial help to cheer and comfort our brethren and sisters on the frontier.

Our Deaconess Board had kindly set apart a fine, large room in the Home as a guest chamber, where the Woman's Home Missionary Society might have the privilege of entertaining a visitor at any time, and the Conference Society was planning to furnish it, when Mrs. J. O. Peck, a very efficient member of the Deaconess Board, asked that she might have the pleasure of doing so for us, in memory of Dr. J. O. Peck, our recent Missionary Secretary; and now we have a most beautifully and completely furnished room, which will be the delight of all Conference visitors.

During the year four new organizations were formed, three Auxiliaries and one Circle. The list of subscriptions to *Woman's Home Missions* has been recently increased through the efforts of our earnest secretary, Mrs. Bryant, whose voice is heard at our meetings pleading the cause of the paper, which is so attractive in its new dress. A spirit of real Home Missionary zeal seems abroad in the Conference, and we have several Churches only waiting for Mrs. Woodruff's silver tongue, which has always been so potent in our Conference, to woo them to our ranks.

Day is dawning, the outlook is broadening, Home Mission work is winning its way to the hearts and homes of "New York East."

MRS. CLARA H. CARHART, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

NORTHERN NEW YORK CONFERENCE.

NORTHERN NEW YORK CONFERENCE is situated in the northwest corner of the State of New York. It reaches from the Mohawk River in Central New York, to the Canadian border on the north, and from the Adirondacks on the east, to Lake Ontario, St. Lawrence, and the Thousand Islands on the west. In primitive Colonial times it was the hunting-ground of the Iroquois Indians. French adventurers and priests were the first white men to visit these forests, as they ascended the St. Lawrence on their excursions of discovery, and in their missionary journeys as they sought to Christianize the Aborigines of the North American Continent.

After the War for Independence it was settled by Revolutionary soldiers, and their descendants largely compose the citizens of this portion of New York State. They have always been the patrons of education and religion, and all the organizations for the amelioration of the conditions of our people have received their cordial support.

Our Society has always received favorable consideration in this Conference, and its work and usefulness was never more appreciated than at the present. We are aiding by our contributions beneficiaries in the following Homes: Ritter, New Jersey, Bennett, King, Jesse Lee, Stickney, Dulce, Watts de Peyster, Mothers' Jewels, and Rest Home, and a scholarship in the Lucy Webb Hayes National Training-school at Washington, D. C., has become established. We have given the Immigrant Home at New York some aid during the year.

Mrs. F. V. Chapman, superintendent of Ritter Home, spent a few

days within the bounds of our Conference, and presented the claims of our Homes and the work of the General Society to our people. All the district organizations in the Conference have been in active operation and also our Auxiliaries during the past year. The Conference officers have been increasingly efficient by reason of their experience in the work. Our Conference Treasurer's clear statement of our financial work not only shows what has been accomplished, but is a source of inspiration to our people.

As the boundaries of our Woman's Home Missionary work extend to Alaska, to the Hawaiian Islands, to Cuba, to Porto Rico, and possibly to the far-away Philippines, keeping pace with the extending boundaries of our country, our people begin to realize more and more the work and scope of our Society, and that we are an important factor in the life of our country, as she goes forward in her manifested destiny.

ALICE G. HUNT, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

NORTH INDIANA CONFERENCE.

THE Annual Meeting of the North Indiana Conference Society was held in Huntington, Indiana, in June.

The reports of the Conference officers exhibited a measure of growth, which was not only gratifying, but full of encouragement, the footings being larger than any previous year.

Four Auxiliaries, three Circles, and two Bands have been organized.

The Treasurer's report showed an increase of thirty-three per cent in cash over last year. The contributions to the Emergency Fund were two hundred and seventy-two dollars.

Our special work has been the support of a missionary, scholarship in Ritter and Bennett Homes, and contributions have been sent to Oriental Work, Rust Hall, Asheville, Dulce Building Fund, and Mothers' Jewels Home.

Quite generously have our members responded to the calls of our Supplies Secretary. Through our efficient Mite-box Secretary a large number of boxes have found their way into homes, not only of members of our Society, but have been introduced into Churches where we have not yet organized. These may be "John the Baptist" for organizations later.

The National Training-school interests are being looked after; quite a number of the pledge cards have been distributed. We expect one young lady from our Conference to enter the training-school to prepare for a deaconess.

The papers and addresses at our Convention were rich in thought and of practical helpfulness.

We were greatly delighted to have with us Professor Henrietta Bancroft and Miss L. A. Gaddis, to whom we are largely indebted for their inspiring addresses, resulting in a more enthusiastic devotion to the interest of the Society.

Among other things we effected an organization of a "Society at Large," to be known as the "Elizabeth Rust" Auxiliary. Through this new organization we provide for the contributions of those interested in our work in churches where we have no Auxiliaries.

As the Conference Contingent Fund was not sufficient to carry on the work of the Society, it was increased to ten cents per member.

We will use all mite-box money in paying the salary of Miss Flora Mitchel, who has been supported by our Conference for several years.

Our districts are all organized, holding successful meetings, and, with their efficient officers, are energetically and loyally looking after the interest committed to their trust.

Through the courtesy of our ministers, our work has been presented at the District Ministerial Meetings, which has proven very helpful.

Our Conference Anniversary Meeting was one of more than ordinary interest. The large church was crowded with an attentive audience while the Rev. T. C. Iliff, D. D., of Utah, delivered a masterly address. His opportunities for personal observation of what our Society is doing, especially through Utah, empowered him to present in a forceful way facts showing some of the fruits of our work. His admirable address, giving an insight into the practical operations of our Society, made a most favorable impression, winning us many friends.

Thank-offering Day was quite generally observed, and in some Auxiliaries with excellent collections.

The Day of Humiliation and Prayer has proven of special blessing, enlisting our hearts more sympathetically in the work.

Grateful for the reports of the year, yet not content, the success in the past encourages us to anticipate larger results in the future.

MRS. L. H. BUNYAN, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

NORTH NEBRASKA CONFERENCE.

THE Woman's Home Missionary Society of the North Nebraska Conference sends greetings! The Annual Meeting of this Conference was held at Fremont, July 7th and 8th. We believe our Society is on a more substantial basis than before, though our increase in membership is small. Our Auxiliaries are securing more Home Missionary literature, thus becoming better acquainted with the work; hence more interested in it. Our treasurer's report shows a good increase of finances over last year. Our efforts have been principally concentrated on Mothers' Jewels Home and the men of God who are laboring on the frontier of our own State.

The Thank-offering program was carried out in some of the Auxiliaries with good result.

Our Society was represented at the camp-meeting of three districts, the anniversary held at Schuyler September 30th.

With prayers for added blessing, we leave our work in the hands of Him who alone can give lasting victory.

CYNTHIA ESPLIN,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

NORTH OHIO CONFERENCE.

THOSE of us who had the privilege of our Baltimore meeting, remember the exhortation of our president at the closing session, to be more courageous and consecrated than ever, followed by the fervent pleading of our Bishop Walden that the Holy Spirit might come to every heart, bringing new inspiration for our work. We went away feeling that it had been to us a Mount of Transfiguration. Thanksgiving for being allied in service with those who had accomplished such Christ-like work filled our hearts. Faith was strong, and bade us expect new fields to open, and old ones to be strengthened and developed. In some respects hope has been disappointed. Our reports are not all we had desired. The answer of our sons and brothers to our country's call, in

some cases diverted thought and money to that no less needed missionary work.

Our Annual Meeting, held in Cleveland in November, was a great source of inspiration. The devotional meetings were so marked by the Divine presence, that all hearts were made better. Right loyally the officers elected bent to their work, but we knew we must lean heavily upon our lay members. After all, they are the foundation of our whole work. This report can not paint the faithful service in unofficial places; the toil, and sacrifice, and prayer that have been given. By means of these we have been able to help our work in Alaska, the Bennett, Ritter, E. L. Rust, and Allen Homes, our Indian and Oriental work, and have contributed toward the support of a deaconess in our National Training-school, besides sending many a barrel of supplies to our Homes and frontier parsonages.

We have organized during the year three new Auxiliaries and one Band.

At the session of our Annual Conference we are given one afternoon for our anniversary, and the privilege of a report in the Conference Minutes. Our exercises this year were full of interest, and we were again able to report a cash increase.

We look forward to the work of another year with prayer and faith, trusting that our past experiences will be our helps to grander achievements and nobler conquests "In His Name." MRS. A. D. KNAPP,

Conference Corresponding Secretary.

NORTHWEST INDIANA CONFERENCE.

WHILE our Conference is not doing all we hope to see it do, we are thankful for the growing interest. Until this year but two of the districts were organized, where now we have four in working order. The fifth will be organized at our Annual Meeting in November. The work has gone slowly for several reasons. Foreign Missionary Societies are strong in many places, and it has been thought impossible to retain interest in both. Then we have lacked Contingent Fund, making it necessary to do all that has been done by correspondence. We have organized during the year seven Auxiliaries, four Circles, two Bands, and two Mothers' Jewels.

A few more years of faithful service from interested officers will bring Northwest Indiana to the front. For we are faithful Methodists, and loyal to the flag. IDA M. GIBSON,

Conference Corresponding Secretary.

NORTHWEST IOWA CONFERENCE.

TO GOD be all the glory for his overruling power in preserving our Conference Society work from more seriously declining this year! Illness of self and loved ones has seriously crippled my effectiveness. The Conference and district officers have been kindly helpful, and the Auxiliaries very forbearing. We greatly appreciate the strengthening of our work by the removal of Mrs. M. C. Hickman and daughter Charlotte to our Conference. Professor Bancroft spoke for us one Sabbath and one week-day evening, greatly strengthening two Auxiliaries and organizing one. The superintendent of Bidwell Deaconess Home spoke at a District Convention, and Miss Miner, of Washington, D. C., at our Conference

Anniversary. The results of these helps have been far-reaching for good. Dr. W. S. Lewis, president of Morning Side (Sioux City) College, did excellent service by addresses at our Conference Society annual business meeting and Conference Anniversary.

Although we have somewhat declined in membership, etc., we sent to General Treasurer and Des Moines Deaconess Home $29.58 more than last year. The removal of several of our Conference and district officers has been a serious loss to our work. Three Auxiliaries, two Circles, and one Band have been organized during the year by Conference and district officers. Some have waned and some given up from lack of assistance heretofore given. Epworth Leagues have assisted in the support of two of the three girls that went this year to the Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school from our Conference. Beneficiaries have been supported in Jesse Lee, Stickney, Chinese Girls, and King Homes. Three hundred dollars have been paid toward salary of Miss Gibson, and we have contributed to Bidwell Deaconess Home and Mothers' Jewel Home, to the Leaflet Fund, and $166.51 to the Emergency Fund.

The Recording Secretary of our Iowa State Association serves in same capacity for our Conference Society. She compiled the excellent singing-book, "White Wings of Peace," for Woman's Missionary meetings.

Thank-offering and Day of Humiliation and Prayer services were observed by more Auxiliaries this year than ever before. A large part of these offerings were sent to the Emergency Fund.

Aunt Jemima Baking Powder is becoming an established adjunct in the finances of many Auxiliaries.

More and more are our people learning concerning the Woman's Home Missionary Society work, and loving it. In proportion to faithfulness and reliance on the Holy Spirit in this service are the workers brought nearer Him whose work it is.

MRS. J. P. NEGUS,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

NORTHWEST KANSAS CONFERENCE.

IT is with gratitude to God, the Giver of every perfect gift, that I make this, my first report for the Northwest Kansas Conference. We have at Mankato, Kansas, an Auxiliary, the first, I think, organized in the Conference. The membership of our Salina Auxiliary is increasing, and they are doing good work for the Master. I have received no report from the Solomon Auxiliary, but believe it to be alive. We have organized since Conference an Auxiliary at Plainville, with twelve members; one at Lincoln Center, with ten members. The Beloit, Ellsworth, and Salina Districts are organized, and as we, as a people, learn more of the work, we hope we may be more efficient.

Our Conference Anniversary at Minneapolis was well attended, and good interest in the work was manifest.

I am not able to report the number of Home Mission papers taken in our Conference, but am certain it is small, compared to what it ought to be. We are trusting in God for wisdom, and hope we may, by the grace of God, push on the work with increasing energy.

MRS. ISAIAH MCDOWELL, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

OHIO CONFERENCE.

THE Ohio Conference has made some gains during the past year, especially among the organizations of the young people. An increased interest has been manifested in the amount for beneficiaries and from mite-boxes. The Emergency Fund has been particularly remembered by London District, which includes Delaware, Ohio.

An attempt was made to use Mrs. Chapman, the matron of Ritter Home, in Ohio Conference, but the indifference of the majority of the ministers, and of Churches in general, rendered the attempt impracticable.

We feel the need of the work of an Organizer in our Conference, for it seems very difficult to obtain new organizations through the efforts of local officers.

We are pleased to note the successful work of Miss Abbey S. Putnam, who has completed her first year's work as superintendent of Bennett Home, Clarkson, Miss. Miss Putnam went from Columbus, Ohio, to her work at this Home.

One hundred and fifty dollars was raised by Columbus District alone for her salary.

At the Conference meeting in September, at Newark, Ohio renewed support was recommended and pledged for the same lines of work as for last year. At this meeting we were privileged to listen to a most stirring address from one of the younger members of the Board of Managers, Mrs. W. A. Goodman, Jr.

MRS. F. A. SELLS,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

PHILADELPHIA CONFERENCE.

THE outlook for effective work in connection with the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Philadelphia Conference was never more promising than at present. The work is deepening and widening in interest.

We are greatly encouraged by the continual success of our Society, and are expecting great things in the future. Our pledges made at the Annual Meetings for different departments of work are being met; among them $150 for naming and furnishing room in the Rest Home at Ocean Grove; also $100 for the National Training-school in Washington. Our response to the Emergency Fund has been gratifying, and we intend to still be interested until the whole amount, $20,000, is raised.

Our patron, Colonel James M. Bennett, has been called away from this life. At his obsequies, tributes to his benevolence in the interest of children and women were given. Not the least of these was the Deaconess Home. He not only gave the original building, but supplemented it by adding the adjoining Home, after he had fitted it up with all the modern conveniences and appointments, at a cost of $4,000, greatly enlarging the scope and furnishing us for this most admirable work, the character of which is religious, missionary, industrial, and educational. The formal opening and dedication of the annex took place on Thursday, March 31, 1898. The building was dedicated by Rev. A. J. Kynett, D. D. After the opening services, the Annex was formally presented by the donor, and received by our president, Mrs. C. W. Bickley. The Home has been furnished by Auxiliary and Bands, and now presents a beautiful home-like appearance. The lunch-room is in the annex, where we are able to supply the best lunch at a nominal sum, and we cordially invite

girls who have small remittance. A Bazar was held in November, at 607 Vine Street, for the benefit of the Home, and the Committee report a net sum of $576. We are also pleased to report a legacy of $475 from Mrs. Mary Hensall, to be used for deaconess work. On last Christmas-day seventy-five children were entertained; on December 28th one hundred and seventeen children and their mothers, from the neighborhood of the original Immigrant Home and Bainbridge Street, were served with a turkey dinner, and each child a recipient of a gift through the generosity of Park Avenue Church. Through the kindness of Strawbridge & Clothier, four large wagons were furnished to convey children to the church.

Our Deaconess Home is every year exerting an influence for good, that eternity alone will tell. While naturally it claims a great deal of our time, interest, and means, we are not confining our influence here, but reaching out our hand to far-away Alaska, New Mexico, the Frontier, to the Indians, and back to our own loved city, helping through our deaconesses the needy and afflicted. The family of our Deaconess Home is presided over by our faithful superintendent, Mrs. E. Turney, who is indeed a mother to the family. An innovation this year was in sending our deaconesses to help pastors in evangelistic work. This has been a pronounced success. They have, by their modesty and earnestness, won their way into the hearts of the people, and much good has been done for the Master. Most encouraging letters have been received from the different pastors with whom they labored, speaking in most commendatory terms of their work. During January and February seven Churches were served by our deaconesses.

We have rooms fitted up at 609 Vine Street for immigrant work. We also hope in the future to increase facilities on this most noble and Christly work. Our deaconesses meet the incoming steamers, and if a young girl, friendless, arrives, she is looked after and helped to find employment.

Our Conference Anniversary, held in Chester, March 18, 1898, was a pronounced success. The addresses made by our superintendent, Mrs. E. Turney, and the Rev. Wallace MacMullen, D. D., were soul-stirring and inspiring. Our district meetings have been held, and full of interest and profit. We have been fortunate this year to have with us to make addresses, Mrs. C. L. Roach, Professor Henrietta Bancroft, and Mrs. A. F. Beiler, each in her own strong individuality presenting the work, and doing us good.

This brief and imperfect outlining of the work of the Woman's Home Missionary work of the Philadelphia Conference fills our minds with reverent gratitude to God for his continued blessing upon our labors, and inspires us to redoubled efforts to enter every open door, and carry forward to greater results the mission that his providence has laid upon us. One of our workers has said: "What gracious work that Christian women can undertake for their more unfortunate and sorrowing sisters in America is there that, in some form or another, the Woman's Home Missionary Society is not striving to accomplish?"

(MRS.) M. B. STEVENS, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

PITTSBURG CONFERENCE.

THE Woman's Home Missionary Society is on a firmer basis in the Pittsburg Conference than ever before. This has been the best year of its existence. There has been more interest and more intelligence in the work, and consequently greater contributions and a large increase in

membership have been the result. Three new organizations have been formed. One Society has increased from thirty-six to ninety-one members, and another has more than doubled its numbers. Our Conference has during the year, besides the amount it has contributed to the General Fund and to the Emergency Fund, supported its own Deaconess Home, at a cost of nearly eighteen hundred dollars, paid over one thousand dollars towards the purchase of our Deaconess Home, employed two women in our "Coke Mission" work during the summer months, also two in our "Traveler's Aid" work, paid over six hundred dollars to "Special Funds," and has made a large increase in the value of supplies sent.

We hope next year to do much more and better work.

(MRS.) M. J. SCHOYER, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

PUGET SOUND CONFERENCE.

THE Woman's Home Missionary work in Puget Sound Conference is moving on very successfully, I think. I confidently expect that we shall go up to Conference with a better report than ever before. We have it to regret that some of our Auxiliaries have given up the work, but our President and Organizer has been working very hard and very successfully. She has organized seven new Auxiliaries, several Bands, one Mission Circle, one Mizpah Guards, and has revived and strengthened a number of old ones. We have at least twenty active Auxiliaries, two Mission Circles, quite a number of Bands, one Mizpah Guards; a membership of 250 in Auxiliaries, at least 50 in Circles and Bands. I am not able to give the number of papers taken at present.

VINA I. CLARK, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

ROCK RIVER CONFERENCE.

THE great outside world has moved with such majestic strides through the past year, that our own little affairs seem to lose all proportion in comparison. Nevertheless, as "all are but parts of one stupendous whole," this gives us in our measure an enlarged opportunity, and consequent enlarged obligations.

Extensive repairs at the Marcy Home, with insurance to be renewed and pavement paid for, have largely increased our expenses. Our internal economy has also been much more expensive, on account of the enlargement of the work. But while we have worked in various ways, and with increasing expense, for the more complete establishment of the work within the bounds of our own Conference, we have had an interest in the affairs of the Society at large. Money has been sent to the Emergency Fund, beneficiaries sustained in the schools, and something contributed to the National Training-school.

The Dispensary was opened about the middle of January. For several weeks we had very few patients. From date of opening till the present time we have treated one hundred and forty-two cases.

Since our last report several meetings of a good deal of interest have been held. The Rockford District meeting, held at Elgin, was a two days' meeting, a meeting of thorough deliberation and profit. The Freeport District meeting, held at Lena, was a union meeting of the Foreign and Home Societies; a very profitable and cordial meeting of the two organizations. Mrs. W. E. Wilkinson made the address at the evening

session of both of these meetings. Her rare eloquence captivated every heart. Our best wishes follow her to her far Western home, whither she is gone on account of her husband's impaired health. Every good cause she has left behind will miss her beautiful advocacy.

Our midsummer quarterly-meeting at Waukegan was a success, and an occasion thoroughly enjoyed by all.

Our Conference Anniversary was well attended. Mrs. Henry Wade Rogers made a very able address.

The Monday morning meeting of the preachers of Chicago and vicinity was recently held in the chapel of the Home. Lunch was served to one hundred and fifty at the close of the regular exercises, after which the needs of the evangelistic services at the Home were presented, and pledges for the support of the pastor secured in behalf of the City Missionary Society. We have to record the obligation we have been under to this Society from the beginning of our work in the city. It was undertaken at the suggestion of the lamented Dr. Hitchcock, at that time secretary of this Society, which has always borne a large part in the support of our Sunday service. Dr. A. D. Traveller, his successor, has been our stanch friend from the beginning.

Two new Auxiliaries have been formed this year, which give promise of strength. Some are reported weak, or unorganized, for want of efficient leadership.

Miss Fowler, superintendent of the Home, has many calls to represent our interests, and this, with other influences, is gradually undermining ignorance and prejudice, the two most formidable foes to advancement.

The General Board of Managers will this year aid our enterprise by helping to discharge the debt on the building. This will place a property worth $30,000, free from all incumbrance, in the hands of the Society, and set us all free from the burden that has rested upon us as a Conference organization for ten years past. An entailed property of considerable value has been left in our favor during the past year. A member of the Evanston Auxiliary while she lived, Mrs. Emily A. Woodson bequeathed her dying legacy to its needs, and although there is not, according to the terms indicated, any immediate benefit, yet it is proper to record with gratitude this kind remembrance of a long-time friend in behalf of our Society.

E. E. MARCY,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE.

THE Woman's Home Missionary Society has completed another year of its history, and although it has occurred in perilous times of extreme drouth and during the intense excitement of war, the report of this work is one of which every member may well be proud. Our Conference Society has been organized twelve years, and each year has steadily advanced beyond the preceding one, until we have organizations in sixty-nine of the one hundred and fourteen charges in the Conference.

The Chinese work has been faithfully done by Mrs. Davis in Los Angeles, and Miss Phillips (deaconess) in San Diego. There have been a few conversions among the women.

Mrs. Lau, who was converted two years ago, is at our school in San Francisco, supported by First Church Auxiliary, Los Angeles.

Five deaconesses have been employed during the past year in the Conference. It has been the source of great regret that Miss Spaulding.

who has been superintendent from the opening of the Home here, has been obliged to resign her position on account of failing health.

The pledge of $1,500 for the "Frontier" has been met.

The support of one scholar has been sent to Alaska, that land soon to have Territorial Government, and that one day may become the richest State in the Republic,—that land of gold; but where sin and superstition reigns, and where the only gospel light-house upon that far Western shore of Unalaska is our Jesse Lee Home.

We support one scholar, also, in the Spanish-Mexican school in Albuquerque.

The Annual Meeting was held in Los Angeles July 15th, in First Church. The officers were re-elected, with the exception of the Secretaries of Young People's and Juvenile Work. Mrs. L. R. Robinson takes the former, and Mrs. Dr. Brodbeck the latter.

District meetings and Rallies were held at Boyle Heights and Asbury Churches, Los Angeles; Fresno, Ventura, and Saticoy, Redlands, Highgrove, Lordsburg, San Diego, and Garden Grove

Public meetings have been held at Long Beach and Ventura Camp-meetings.

The Conference Anniversary was held on Friday afternoon, September 23d, at Santa Barbara. The speakers were Mrs. E. W. Caswell and Mrs. Kate W. Sprowls.

One member of the Executive Board has been removed from our presence by the hand of death,—the District Manager for San Diego District, Mrs. T. H. B. Chamblin, who died April 13th. In her death the Woman's Home Missionary Society has lost one of its most stanch and faithful officers, and the Riverside Auxiliary its most competent and enthusiastic president. She has gone from her labors to her eternal reward.

The greatest event of the year in missionary circles is the many opening doors among the islands of the sea inviting missionary toil. Hawaii and the Philippines, Cuba and Porto Rico, will soon open up a wonderful field for our work. and then the Woman's Home Missionary Society will reach around the world. Almighty God is bringing the islands of the sea to our very doors, and we are no more to hear the cry, "America for Americans," but "America for the world." This has always been the theory of Home Missions, "Save America, and you will save the world."

Truly the words of prophecy are finding glorious fulfillment during the past few months. "He shall not fail nor be discouraged till He have set judgment in the earth and the isles shall wait for His law." Islands that have been locked in a dungeon of darkness by the hand of tyranny are suddenly beholding the light of a new era, ushered in by the sun of American Liberty. The flag of the cross, borne by Home Missionary women, is speedily following the Stars and Stripes to every island where Old Glory floats as a symbol of freedom.

MRS. E. W. CASWELL, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

ST. LOUIS CONFERENCE.

DURING the session of our Annual Conference, held last March, one-half day was given to the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. Conference officers were elected, and sufficient interest was aroused to organize an Auxiliary at Springfield, the seat of the Conference.

When we consider that we have only five Auxiliaries in a territory extending over the entire southern portion of the great State of Missouri, we feel that we have scarcely more than a foothold for our beloved

Home Missionary Society. But the first six months have not been altogether discouraging. Grand Avenue Auxiliary, Kansas City, with a membership of more than one hundred and one life member, is always enthusiastic and hopeful. They have been doing excellent supply work, and are ready to take some special work at once. At Independence Avenue Church, Kansas City, one of the largest and most influential in the Conference, a strong Auxiliary has been organized. We look forward to the coming year, hoping, praying that interests may be quickened, the work broadened, and remembering that

"Not to the strong is the battle,
Not to the swift is the race;
But to the true and the faithful
Victory cometh through grace."

MRS. JOHN W. BUSH, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

SOUTHWEST KANSAS CONFERENCE.

OUR Annual Meeting was held June 28th and 29th, and was well attended by both delegates and visitors. While we have not reached our ideal, we have pressed toward it. We greatly wish we were able to report a large increase in the number of Auxiliaries. Our great need is district officers who will take an active interest in organizing the work in the charges of their respective districts. The Auxiliaries have done well, perhaps not all they might have done; but all have shown an increased interest.

At our last Conference Anniversary we were favored with an excellent talk on our work by Bishop Earl Cranston.

Our pledges have all been redeemed, and the new year upon which we have entered promises much.

The Conference at its last session approved the action of our Conference Society in proposing to assume the support of a Deaconess Home, to be established in the city of Wichita, Kansas, and pledged the hearty co-operation of the Conference in this work. At our Annual Meeting we matured plans and adopted a Constitution, which was approved by the Conference Deaconess Board, and pastors and people have entered with enthusiasm into this new enterprise, which promises to be a success.

Our Deaconess Home was formally opened the 1st of September. Two deaconesses will be employed in the work. We have already received one hundred dollars for the purchase of a permanent Home, and a donation of one hundred dollars to send a young woman to the training-school at Washington, D. C., during the coming year. Our faith reaches out for greater things for the future of our work in this Conference. For all that we have been able to do in the past, and for all these encouragements for the future, we return thanks unto God, to whom all the glory belongs.

MRS. W. J. MARTINDALE,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

TROY CONFERENCE.

THE work in our Conference has varied little from that of other years. About the same lines of work have been sustained as last year, with the addition of raising funds to name and furnish a room in Bancroft Rest Home at Ocean Grove.

We have contributed to the support of beneficiaries in the Chinese

Mission in San Francisco; in the Jesse Lee Home, Unalaska, Alaska; Haven Home, Savannah, Ga.; Kent Home, Greensboro, N. C.; the Watts de Peyster Home, Tivoli, N. Y.; New Jersey Home, Morristown, Tenn.; and at the Apache Mission, Dulce, N. M. Have also contributed to the Navajo Mission, N. M., and the Emergency Fund.

The department of supplies has been well cared for under the management of Mrs. A. D. Lyon.

The greatest advancement has been made in the distribution of mite-boxes. Over three hundred have been given out, and about one hundred Mothers' Jewels mite-boxes; also a large number of leaflets have been distributed.

The Thank-offering service has been more largely observed, and there has been an increase in subscribers to the *Children's Home Missions*.

I am unable to give a correct report of *Woman's Home Missions*, but think that the increase in price has not decreased the subscriptions largely, while many expressions of approval have been heard on the improved condition of the paper.

Our Conference is very well organized, so that we can not report large increase in organizations. Three Auxiliaries, two Circles, and one Band have been organized this year.

We were greatly encouraged and inspired by the address of our National President, Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk, at our Conference Anniversary, and on the following Sunday, at Fifth Avenue Church, Troy, and Third Avenue, Watervliet, N. Y., where she gave addresses at the regular services.

Mrs. Anna Kent was with us at two district meetings in June, and awakened great interest in Bancroft Rest Home, taking pledges for more than the required sum for furnishing our room in that Home. We had previously raised one hundred dollars to name the room.

We are about to send another student to the Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school, making the sixth from our Conference to enter that institution. At Glens Falls we now have a deaconess from the Syracuse Home. A growing interest seems to be manifested among our workers, and we are encouraged to press forward, trying to bring greater success to our beloved cause.

MRS. E. W. SIMPSON,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

UPPER IOWA CONFERENCE.

A YEAR ago we expressed our gratitude, in that we were able to report an advance along all lines of our work.

In spite of the fact of the long illness in the home of the secretary, which prevented her from doing any field work during the last year, and that the president, Mrs. Gould, was also unable to do the usual amount, yet when we sum up the labors of the faithful Auxiliaries and the district officers, together with the department secretaries, we find that they have outstripped all previous records of the Conference Society, the grand total in cash and supplies being $3,870.48.

Two hundred and fifty seven dollars and four cents in cash was expended in new goods for our faithful ministers on the frontier.

An encouraging advance has been made in the mite-box department, through the efforts of the secretary, Mrs. Black.

All our pledges are more than met, and a generous amount paid toward the Emergency Fund.

Our local missionary to the Bohemians in Cedar Rapids, Mrs. De Castello, gave a large amount of painstaking service to her field.

Two young women, Miss Clara Alward and Miss Bessie Collins, entered the Training-school at Washington this year, to prepare themselves for deaconess work. Professor Henrietta Bancroft and Miss Ida Miner ably represented the deaconess department during their visits to the Conference.

Pledges for the present fiscal year:	
Bidwell Deaconess Home, Des Moines	$200
Bennett Industrial Home, Clarkson, Miss	400
Training-school at Washington, D. C	100
For Field Work in Conference	100
Bohemian Work, Cedar Rapids	100
Rust Hall	100
King Home, Marshall, Texas	50
Hospital at Unalaska, Alaska	50
Immigrant Work, New York	25
Stickney Home, Washington	25
Orientals	50
Total	$1,200

With gratitude to Him whose we are, and whom we serve, I submit this report.

MARGARET ALSPAUGH,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

VERMONT CONFERENCE.

As WE look back over the year, we find that our Society has not made much advancement. No new Auxiliaries have been organized.

We were gratified to have with us Mrs. Anna Kent at our Annual Meeting in Waterbury last November. Mrs. A. H. Webb was re-elected president.

At our Conference Anniversary Mrs. Anna F. Beiler was very cordially received. Our work was presented at three camp-meetings with good results. Only one district meeting has been held. We mean to do more and better work in the coming year.

(MRS.) ALTHA L. RICHMOND, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

WEST NEBRASKA CONFERENCE.

THE anniversary of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of West Nebraska Conference was held at Holdrege, September 15th, during the session of Conference.

We were fortunate in securing the assistance of Mrs. J. R. Woodcock, who, in her interesting address upon the different departments of our work, did excellent service for our cause in this Conference. Her earnest words and appeal for the needy and oppressed in our own land, who are without the privileges of the gospel, will not soon be forgotten.

Our Organizer, Sister Collins, has organized several mite-box Societies during the year. Thirty-six dollars was raised in this way. Most of this was sent to the Mothers' Jewels Home at York. Last May it was my privilege to visit the Home at York, called there by Sister Negus, Chairman of the Advisory Board. I was very favorably impressed with the Home and its surroundings, and with the care and love shown towards the children, and the attachment of the children for Brother and Sister

Spurlock. Our West Nebraska Conference room is nicely furnished with iron bedsteads, contributed from this Conference. Miss Reeves, who went from us to enter the National Training-school at Washington, D. C., graduated from there last June. She is an enthusiastic Home Missionary worker, and very acceptable to the people.

Thirty copies of *Woman's Home Missions* are taken in our Conference. About three hundred dollars worth of supplies were distributed on the districts during the year. Our work is steadily gaining ground, and the Auxiliaries have done good work the past year.

MRS. E. SMITH, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

WE are glad to report an increased interest in the West Texas Conference Woman's Home Missionary Society. Our thirteenth anniversary was held at Waco, Texas, December 11th. We were pleased to have with us Mrs. Dr. S. J. Pye, of St. Louis, who, by request, gave the address. We have tried to solicit the sympathy of every woman in our Church. The Auxiliaries, as a whole, have had much local work to do this year. Our five District Associations were held during the summer months, and the effect has been for good. We have organized twelve new Auxiliaries, three "Mothers' Jewels," and reorganized two older Auxiliaries. We are trying to make the Woman's Home Missionary Society a power in our Conference.

E. S. SPRIGGS,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

WEST WISCONSIN CONFERENCE.

THE work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the West Wisconsin Conference is steadily advancing throughout the bounds of the Conference. The experiences of previous years have in them untold benefit and wealth to many of us. We understand better how to manage and plan the work, so as to create greater interest. I can not report as rapid growth as I would like to; still I feel we ought not to be discouraged. We can report five more Auxiliaries than last year, and a much larger membership. There has been no one department of work taken up especially.

Some Auxiliaries have contributed to the deaconess fund, some to the Mothers' Jewels Home, some to the Watts de Peyster Home; while others have sent boxes and barrels of goods to the frontier work, all caring well for their local work. We have but one district thoroughly organized. The other four have lately had good managers appointed, so we are looking forward to the coming year for better results.

One feature of our hope of success is that our ministers and their wives seem to be more interested in Home Missionary work than ever before. They see the need of the work as never before, and they realize that new fields are opening up for their consideration.

I wish I could tell you of the great uplift and encouragement we all received from the visits of Professor Bancroft and Miss Durham. Their visits will long be remembered. Professor Bancroft spent a short time at the Platteville Camp-meeting. All were delighted with her fine address, and profited by the counsel given. Miss Durham gave nearly three weeks of her time in this Conference. Her first visit was to the Viroqua Camp-meeting. She made addresses at Dodgeville, Mineral Point, Madi-

son, Augusta, Chippewa Falls, New Richmond, Durand, and Spring Creek. She spent a few days in Eau Claire, where the Annual Conference was in session. Bishop Ninde received her very cordially, introduced her to the Conference, and invited her to sing. She immediately won all hearts, so that when it was announced that Miss Durham was to give the anniversary address for the Woman's Home Missionary Society, all were on hand to hear her. She held her large, appreciative audience spellbound for nearly two hours with her sweet songs and eloquent address. To show the appreciation of her audience, she asked for a collection of fifty dollars, and received seventy-eight. Surely there are abundant reasons for thanking God, and taking courage to undertake greater things In His Name

MRS. M. BENSON,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

WILMINGTON CONFERENCE.

DURING the year now closing we have been greatly encouraged by the increased interest in Home Mission work throughout our Conference. No doubt many opportunities for good have been lost, yet as we review the work of the year we find commendable advance has been made in many directions. Shortly after our return from the Annual Meeting last year we wrote to each of our Auxiliaries, telling them what the special work for the year was to be, and called attention to the need of renewed earnestness and zeal on the part of each member. The result was that the last of March found the money pledged in Baltimore in the hands of the treasurer. Our faithful Recording Secretary, Mrs. Washington Hastings, then conceived the idea of furnishing a room in Bancroft Rest Home, as a memorial to our late friend and pastor, Rev. Merritt Hulburd, who realized so fully what this Society was to this country, and who was always ready to lend a helping hand.

Scholarships have been continued in the Jesse Lee, Stickney, and the Mothers' Jewels Homes. Aid has been given to the Chinese and Italian work, to the Indians, and money to the General and Emergency Funds.

Valuable supplies have been sent from a number of Auxiliaries. Our work in this line has been in the way of helping our Industrial Schools and Homes, as well as our ministers and their families on the frontiers.

The departments of Home Missions, Reading Circles, Mite-boxes, Leaflets, and the Mothers' Jewels are looked after by competent Conference Secretaries. For the first time this year the young people had an Annual Meeting for their own reports and varied interests. The presence and address of Mrs. Hazlett, our National Secretary of Young People's Work, met the response of an appreciative audience, and won friends to the Society. A Circle of young women, organized just before the Annual Meeting last year, has been abundant in good works, and contributed to the work very nearly two hundred dollars.

Some new organizations have been made. One deserves special mention. An Auxiliary was formed in the Church at Cambridge, Md., by the wife of the pastor, Mrs. Dr. Hadway, and gives promise of good work in the days to come. One Auxiliary has had most of its life taken out by the vexed question, What is Local Work? To me it seems better to have an Auxiliary of thirty-five or forty women in a Church who regularly send their one dollar dues to the General Treasurer, even if they do little else than local work, than to have none at all. We have been most fortunate in official visitors. Our honored President, Mrs. Fisk, and Mrs. Kent were present at the Annual Meeting in March; Miss Kirstine Peterson, of the Baltimore Deaconess Home, at the Conference Anni-

versary; Mrs. Chapman, of Ritter Home, at a camp-meeting service; and Mrs. Hazlett for the Annual Meeting of the Young People. Mrs. Chapman remained on the camp-ground several days, and orgainzed our first Camp-meeting Association for Home Missionary Work. The Conference Board meets regularly, with large attendance. Two district meetings have been held, with stimulating results. One great need of the work in this Conference is to find earnest Christian women who have a mind to the work, to care for Bands, Circles, and Leagues after they are organized. The young people are eager and anxious to work, and with good leaders could accomplish great things. We are sorry we have not done better work and secured larger results, but we hope some seed has been sown to bring forth an abundant harvest in the years to come.

EMMA L. WELDIN, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

WISCONSIN CONFERENCE.

AS WE review the work in Wisconsin Conference, we find our hearts filled with gratitude to God for his constant and gracious presence. He has blessed some of our efforts, and we do not feel that it has been a "lost year." Much of our time and offerings have been spent in helping our own. Several hundred dollars have been expended for local work.

A union meeting of the Woman's Foreign and Woman's Home Missionary Societies was held during the session of Byron Camp-meeting in June. Miss Minnie E. Perkins gave a very interesting description of Chinatown, San Francisco, California, and of our work among and for these Chinese in our own country.

Our Conference Anniversary was a success in every way. Mrs. James Dale was with us, and gave an address, in which she presented the great work of our General Society. Her presence gave us all new courage and hope for the year to come, and we believe has aroused more enthusiasm for the work. The cause of Woman's Home Missions ought to, and must, win its way, and gain new friends in the Conference. We have made one life member, and the Contingent Fund is receiving more attention.

Mrs. B. S. Potter visited Milwaukee, and spoke in several of the Churches there during July. We have nearly one hundred names as subscribers for *Woman's Home Missions*, and over thirty for *Children's Home Missions.*

For the first time during the six years that we have been trying to push the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society in our Conference, we feel that we are to receive help from our President. Mrs. E. Manchester, of Milwaukee, has accepted this position, and seems greatly interested in the work.

MRS. R. W. BATES,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

WYOMING CONFERENCE.

LAST November our National President accepted the cordial invitation extended her to visit our Conference. She spoke on several occasions in parlor and churches to great profit. She gave a very interesting address at our Annual Meeting, held at Waverly, N. Y., on "The Industrial Homes of the South" and "The Great Needs of the Work."

The Conference Annual Session, held at Norwich, N. Y., was addressed by Mrs. C. E. Mogg, Dr. Hard, and Dr. Moore. The Conference Secretary gave a report of the work of the Society in general.

Mrs. E. C. Miller visited relatives in Scranton, combining business with pleasure, and gave very excellent addresses at Scranton, Wilkesbarre, Pittston, and Kingston. The ladies of Kingston and Simpson Churches have forwarded boxes of clothing to her.

Binghamton District does excellent work. Members are being added to the Auxiliaries, and a young Ladies' Circle has been organized. The Conference apportionment of the different Societies has been paid. The beneficiaries have been helped, the Emergency Fund contributed to, a great deal of local work done, and supplies sent out.

Chenango District has been crippled by having been without a Secretary a part of the year. We bespeak better things for her in the future.

Oneonta, like many another district doing missionary work, has its "Slough of Despond" and its "Doubting Castles," but is still alive to good works.

Owego, it is claimed, received its name from the expression of the poor Indian, forced to go, as he pulled his canoe from the shore, exclaimed in saddest tone, "*O! we go.*" May this be their motto in Home Missionary work as they press onward! Owego Auxiliary has sent forty dollars to "Ritter Home" during the year. Two hundred and fourteen dollars, including supplies, has been raised in the district.

From Honesdale District the secretary writes: "Am sorry there is not more missionary zeal and better reports; but *many* are doing all they can." She adds: "I know money is scarce in country places."

The smallest Auxiliary reports ten dollars; three bushels of apples, valued at nine dollars; and a barrel of bedding, eleven dollars.

Wyoming District is in advance of last year. The Secretary writes: "There seems to be a steady earnestness of purpose in the plans of work outlined for the winter. Most of the Auxiliaries use the study recommended in *Home Missions*. In a few a more extended course of reading is followed."

Two of the Auxiliaries of our Conference support missionaries, who do the same work that our deaconesses do. Two other Auxiliaries have under their care Industrial Schools in neglected parts of the cities, which include sewing-schools, kindergartens, and kitchengardens, and are doing splendid work. One of these numbers one hundred and fifty pupils.

Our district meetings have never been better attended. Our pledges made at Baltimore have been paid.

Our Conference has raised during the year for General Fund, $803.36; Special, $1,157; Contingent, $36.35; grand total, $1,996.72.

Mrs. A. H. Dickson contributed one hundred dollars to the work at Clarkson; Mrs. P. L. Bennett, one hundred dollars to Thayer Home.

We will not speak of our hopes; we simply wait God's time for the fulfillment of our heart's desire.

MRS. GEO. B. KULP,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

ON "WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONS."

THERE is no Committee more important than that upon *Woman's Home Missions*, because the existence of our Society depends upon the knowledge of the work of the Society. Annual reports and leaflets are important, but most important of all is a wise, active, fully-informed, up-to-date paper. We should give the women of Methodism a clear and accurate knowledge of the work that is doing by this great Society.

You will have heard from the reports of the publisher and the editor that our paper has had a certain degree of success this last year. Raising the price to thirty-five cents a year has left a balance to the credit of the paper. Twenty pages have been continued, four pages of which have been reserved for the Deaconess Department; a small amount in view of the relative work of this department to the work of the whole Society. It is recommended that measures be taken to claim, and make good the claim that this department shall be the organ of deaconess work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

You will have a recommendation to discontinue the printing of the Treasurer's report in order to reserve our valuable columns for the real advancement of the knowledge of our work. We trust that you will, by your votes, indorse this measure.

The recommendation that free copies of *Woman's Home Missions* be sent to every Home and school under the care of the Society, and as exchanges to all Church papers, is so valuable for the dissemination of knowledge that we draw special emphasis again to this as part of the mission of the paper. It is the thought of this Committee that the recommendation to continue the sending of the paper to subscribers until notified to stop is an important duty that the publisher should be required to have charge of. Some of our most successful papers, of a class similar to ours, pursue this method with great success. We ask for the commendation of the Society on this point.

The serial articles presenting a history of the Society have been a valuable feature of this year's numbers, and must prove equally valuable when the time comes to write the history of the Society.

We can not too strongly urge upon the representative women gathered at the Annual Meeting the necessity of using every opportunity to increase our subscription-list. We ask that the Corresponding Secretaries in all Conferences arrange for the representation of the paper at camp-meetings, assemblies, district meetings, and other important gatherings, taking pains to have attractive and vigorous speakers, whose work shall be supplemented by a careful choice of agents to secure subscribers. Let us not be content until the number of our subscribers bears a much better proportion than now to the number of our members.

May God grant us all consecrated energy, clear thinking, and devotion in pursuing this work!

MRS. C. W. GALLAGHER, *Chairman.*

OF THE EDITOR OF "CHILDREN'S HOME MISSIONS."

Children's Home Missions—so named in affectionate deference to its mother, *Woman's Home Missions*—has nearly completed the third year of its existence. This may be a fitting time and place in which to ask and briefly answer three practical questions:

1. What is the child's paper? Convincing proof reaches us now and

again that some of our good women have not yet made the acquaintance of our winsome little one. To such let us say, in a word, that it is a pretty little twelve-page monthly containing pictures and stories illustrating our work, missionary exercises, and jingles for use in concerts and entertainments, as well as in the Band meetings, and a Concert Study each month, which sets forth some special line of our great work.

2. Why is a child's paper needed? The children of the Church are growing up. More and more they must needs be brought in contact with the vice and ignorance that stalk hand in hand throughout our beloved country. That the children may be taught, for Christ's sake and the Nation's sake, how to deal with this great foe, we must early bring before them concrete examples of human need and of human helpfulness. The little paper is needed as a medium through which to present such concrete examples in a manner adapted to interest and stimulate little minds and hearts.

It is needed, also, to stimulate organization among the children. The good woman who invested fifteen cents in our little paper to send to a small friend in a distant State builded better than she knew,, since a Children's Band was the direct result, and the end thereof who can tell?

3. Whose is the child's paper? It is yours, sisters, and we look to you to nourish it into a vigorous life. The children must be taught to know and love it, and you must teach them. The Home Mission work of the future must be done by the children of to-day. What are we doing to make it a work of promise and of power?

Again, sisters, it is yours to make it far more helpful than it has yet been. We need your helpful methods and plans, the story of your successes or failures, and the inspiration that comes from knowing you are in sympathy with "Children's work for children!"

MARTHA VAN MARTER.

OF PUBLISHER OF "WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONS."

THE recommendations which your Committee on *Woman's Home Missions* brought before you one year ago—the same meeting your approval—have been carried out so far as was possible.

Beginning with January, 1898, your publication has been issued with colored cover, and twenty pages within cover. The subscription price advanced ten cents, making the yearly subscription price thirty-five cents. Your sincere thanks are due members of the Committee appointed to secure advertisements. Several were able to render very material help, and others, though not successful, made very earnest effort. It was known that the extra expense of colored cover could not be met immediately by new contracts for advertisements, as ordered by you, still it was thought best by the Executive Board to put the cover on for the year. These improvements should help us in claiming larger attention from the general advertiser, and the outlook for this is encouraging.

The order to continue the paper after paid subscription expires could not be carried out without the immediate expenditure of several hundred dollars; hence the Executive Board directed that the old method be continued. To continue the paper after paid subscription expires would necessitate a complete change in forms for mailing. The running expenses of the new method would be more, and, in addition, an investment of several hundred dollars in the outfit would be required. "I would not recommend that the paper be continued indefinitely. It very likely would increase the list, but would be a loss of hundreds of dollars every year. It is a most unbusiness-like way of doing," says the editor of one of our Advocates.

The extra receipts from advance in subscription price, and the fact

that the printer made us better figures this year, has made our financial showing good. We rejoice over the fact that all expenses have been promptly met as usual, and we have a balance on hand of $624.57. It is a sad fact, however, that we must report a falling off of about fifteen hundred subscriptions. If this loss is from the advanced price, I believe we can recover from it in another year. No one certainly would approve of returning to the old form and subscription price. There is no doubt but that most, if not all, favor the improvements, and the only thing to do is for one and all to rally around the paper, and increase the number of subscribers.

I frequently receive requests like the following: "I am appointed to write a paper for our Conference, District, or Auxiliary meeting, on the subject of 'Our Publications.' I have only lately come into the Society, and know little or nothing about its growth. Won't you please give me all the information you can on the subject mentioned? When and where was *Woman's Home Missions* first published? Who was its first editor? Does the small subscription price meet all expenses?" etc.

These requests have suggested to me that it might be a good plan to print two leaflets, one giving the history of *Woman's Home Missions*; a second leaflet urging the importance of an increased circulation. When we can furnish these leaflets, then ask that they be read before each Auxiliary, and followed by a thorough canvass for subscriptions.

The following statements show the receipts and expenditures for the fiscal year, closing with July, 1898:

RECEIPTS:		
Balance from last year	$353 48	
From subscriptions	4,833 15	
From advertisements	331 57	
		$5,518 20
EXPENDITURES:		
To printing and mailing	$3,558 75	
To Editor	300 00	
To Editor Deaconess Department	96 00	
To Publisher	499 92	
To writer Historical Sketches	25 00	
To postage on papers	233 96	
To electros	51 24	
To stationery, subscription blanks, and sundries	128 76	
		$4,893 63
Balance on hand		624 57
		$5,518 20

Respectfully submitted.

MARY BELLE EVANS, *Publisher.*

OF PUBLISHER OF "CHILDREN'S HOME MISSIONS.',

A SMALL increase in the circulation of *Children's Home Missions* can be reported for the last fiscal year. The receipts from subscriptions were $71.50 in excess of previous year. By the free distribution of thousands of sample copies and the leaflet entitled, "The Child's Paper," by frequent notices in *Woman's Home Missions*, and much correspondence, the interests of this publication have been urged upon the attention of our members, with the meager results above mentioned.

Children's Home Missions made its first appearance in January, 1896.

The Society arranged for its publication because there was a demand for it. Quickly the subscription-list reached six thousand, the second year seven thousand, and this last year about eight thousand. The advance made for two years has been very small, and unless there is a larger increase the coming year, the next report will show a deficit. The guaranty fund, which was supplied to introduce the publication, has been exhausted, and the expenses must now be met from subscriptions alone. Is it not possible and wise to give more thought and time to the circulation of this paper?

The suggestion made a year ago I desire to bring before you again. It was supported last year by a small number of Auxiliaries. If it is not expedient, suggest some other; but do let us have a united effort to increase the list the coming year. I refer to the suggestion that each Auxiliary be *urged* to secure one dollar for ten copies of *Children's Home Missions*, to be distributed in the Band, Junior League, or Sabbath-school of their respective Churches.

We also desire to have the children's help. What better definite aim for the coming year than to ask our eight thousand subscribers to help us to double the list? Make the little ones to feel that they have a part in this special work.

As the several departments of our work are presented to you, each one has its particular need, and claims your support. I am sure, though, not one is more important or worthy your prayerful consideration than the increased circulation of our publications.

I submit the following statements, showing the receipts and expenditures for the fiscal year, closing with July, 1898:

RECEIPTS:		
Balance from last year	$193 52	
From subscriptions	813 53	
From donation	3 50	
From Guarantee Fund	50 00	
		$1,060 55
EXPENDITURES:		
To printing	$575 25	
To postage	29 27	
To Publisher	199 92	
To Editor	158 27	
To electros	45 44	
To stationery, printed circulars, and sundries	21 78	
		$1,029 93
Balance on hand		30 62
		$1,060 55

MARY BELLE EVANS, *Publisher.*

ON LEAFLETS.

THE Leaflet Committee recommends:

1. That each Conference Society, each district organization, and each Auxiliary appoint a Secretary of Literature, whose duty it shall be to promote in every possible way the circulation of our literature.

2. That each Auxiliary, Circle, and Band be requested to contribute twenty-five cents annually to the Leaflet Fund, and that the Conference Society be responsible for collection and payment to the General Treasurer of the same.

3. That Bureau Secretaries see that the Leaflet Editor is supplied with matter, by means of which adequate representation of the various lines of work may be made.

4. That no leaflet be published over the imprint of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, which has not received the approval of the Editor of Leaflets.

5. That all who desire the extension of our work seek by every possible means to promote the circulation of our literature.

The detailed report for the year ending July 31, 1898, is as follows:

Leaflets sent out	291,036
Pages	1,176,778
Pamphlets	1,847
Mothers' Jewels membership cards	7,498
Jewel mite-boxes	10,112
Membership cards	5,075
Mission Band membership cards	321
Mission Circle membership cards	321
Epworth League membership cards	271
Junior League membership cards	271
Annual Reports	282
Quadrennial Reports	190
Thank-offering envelopes	35,000
Thank-offering services	22,000

MARTHA VAN MARTER, *Chairman.*

ON PUBLICATION.

IN accordance with your action taken last year, twelve thousand copies of the Sixteenth Annual Report were published, at a cost of $1,172.58, with an additional cost of $23.50 for boxing and shipping to the Conference Secretaries.

There were also published, in pamphlet form, three thousand copies of the Annual Address "The United States as a Mission Field," at a cost of $26.05; three thousand copies of the essay entitled, "The Tithing System," at a cost of $18.05; three thousand copies of the address by Dr. Ames, at a cost of $11.70; five thousand copies of the tract, "Need and Opportunity," at a cost of $12.10; and three thousand copies of the program for the Annual Meeting of the Board of Managers, at a cost of $33.85.

For binding fifty-two volumes of the Society's Annual Reports the cost was $33.80. This cost was nearly met by sales of the sets.

In addition, the cost for miscellaneous printing, such as blank forms for reports of all the departments of the work, labels, note-heads, and letter-heads, subscription cards, receipt pads, postals for notices, and transportation, etc., amounted to $193.15, making the entire cost of publishing and printing at the Book Concern, $1,523.68.

The cost for the other printing and publishing interests, the two papers, the leaflets, and the Concert Lesson Help, will be shown in the respective reports concerning them.

It has been the custom, hitherto, for each division of the publishing department to make a separate report, and so each year we have reports from the Committee on *Home Missions*, the editor and publisher of the same, from the editor and publisher of the child's paper, from Committee on Leaflets, on Concert Lesson Leaf, and on Publication, thus making *eight* different reports on the publishing interests. Would it not be better for all these reports to be combined in one, so that a full showing may be

made by the Publishing Committee of the entire work and cost of the publishing department?

We recommend:

1. In view of the pressure upon our treasury, that the number of copies of the new Seventeenth Annual Report be the same as last year, 12,000; and that, if possible, the number of pages be not increased.

2. That all reports, and matter for publication therein, be made as condensed as possible (as the cost per page averages about five dollars).

3. That the price of *Children's Home Missions* remain as heretofore, fifteen cents for a single copy, and ten cents for clubs of ten or more; that the editor and publisher remain the same; and that the paper continue to be published at Delaware.

MRS. F. S. HOYT, *Chairman.*

ON MISSIONARY CANDIDATES.

THIRTEEN missionaries have received appointment during the past year, upon the recommendation of the Committee on Missionary Candidates. Several others have been passed by the Committee, but as yet are without appointment.

Attention is called to the following action of the Board of Trustees:

1. It shall be the duty of Bureau Secretaries to confer with the Chairman of the Committee on Missionary Candidates, and make application for the appointment of teachers and missionaries as early as April of each year, so that the appointments may be made at the regular April meeting.

2. All changes of missionaries and teachers shall be reported to the Chairman of the Committee on Missionary Candidates, and such changes shall be reported by her to the Board of Trustees.

3. The Society will not hold itself responsible for the salaries of missionaries and teachers not accepted and appointed by the Board of Trustees.

MRS. W. C. HERRON, *Chairman.*

ON TRANSPORTATION.

THE Western, Central Traffic, and Trunk Line Association have granted reduction of railroad fares on certificate plan. The reduction is one fare and a third, provided there are one hundred or more delegates and visitors in attendance at the Convention, who hold properly signed certificates obtained from the ticket agents at starting point or nearest place to it, showing full fare has been paid to place of meeting. Fares less than seventy-five cents will not be reduced in returning.

The certificates must be deposited with the Railroad Secretary before or on Friday or Saturday, October 21 and 22, 1898, the time set for the visit of the Special Agent, who will examine and sign the certificates. No certificate will be valid unless properly signed.

If any one fails to present certificate before his departure, no reduced rates can be obtained. The Special Agent will present the certificates after they have been properly signed to each person. Under no circumstances will the Railroad Secretary be permitted to return a certificate after the departure of the Special Agent. This is in accordance with the rules of the Joint Association, and they must be kept.

Hoping that every one present will aid in this important matter, so as to allow each person to be benefited by the reduction of railroad fares.

MRS. W. M. AMPT,
Chairman of Committee on Transportation.

ON RESOLUTIONS.

WHEREAS, We realize our entire dependence upon God; we praise him for his wondrous leading, his loving patience, his continued care over the members of this Society during the past year;

Resolved, That we commit ourselves heart and soul to the work of increasing an interest in this department of our Church, and pledge anew our influence, time, and money for helping the degraded and ignorant of our own land to a saving knowledge of Christ.

WHEREAS, It has been the history in the development of Christendom that when opportunity seemed ripe, God, through natural means, has opened the way for the entrance of Christianity. With national pride, yet righteous humility, we recognize that our loved land, our United States of America, has become the honored instrument by which a triumphant entry of our God and his Christ may now be made into that vast expanse upon the golden soil of the great Northwest, and into the isles which lie as the chief jewels upon the breast of the Pacific, and looking southward toward the sea, into the very Gem of the Antilles. Boundless America suggests boundless possibilities for the Woman's Home Missionary Society. Therefore, be it

Resolved, That we, as a body, acknowledge the Hand of Almighty God in placing before us such expanded opportunities for labor; and that, as an organization, we enter these open doors as rapidly as wisdom shall dictate.

WHEREAS, This Society has heard with great satisfaction of the organization, under the auspices of the War Department, as represented to this body by the President-General, Mrs. Jane V. Creighton, of the White Cross Society, for the relief of our brave soldiers and their families;

Resolved, As Christian women, we rejoice that the official signature of this body shall stand forever, with that of other organized bodies of men and women, upon the parchment record of the War Department at Washington, as a tribute of the American women to our brave defenders, the Volunteer Army of the United States of America.

Realizing that our financial methods in the past have been inadequate to meet the ever-increasing demands of our work for the advancement and extension of Christ's kindgom in the earth; therefore,

Resolved, 1. That we, the members of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, pledge ourselves to obey the Divine injunction contained in Malachi iii, 10, "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse;" and that we hereby record our faith in God's power and willingness to fulfill his promise to "open the windows of heaven and pour out such a blessing upon us as there shall not be room enough to receive it."

Resolved, 2. That, as individuals, we will use every proper means to persuade others to join us in keeping this ordinance, that they may share with us the promised reward contained in Deuteronomy xiv, 29, "That the Lord our God may bless us in all the work which we set our hands unto." That for our mutual encouragement, and in order that "a book of remembrance" may be kept, we will forward to the Secretary of the Bureau as promptly as possible the names of those who from time to time may join our ranks.

WHEREAS, It is of vital importance to the success of this Bureau that space be set apart in the Conference Secretary's Quarterly Blank for the statistics of this department; therefore,

Resolved, That all the Conference Corresponding Secretaries be urged

to secure a Conference Secretary of Systematic Beneficence in each Conference as soon as practicable, and that instructions as to the manner of bringing this work before all Auxiliaries in the Conferences be furnished the newly-appointed Conference Secretary, upon application to the Secretary of the Bureau.

Resolved, That we deprecate the desecration of the holy Sabbath, and as a body we pledge our influence and example to the observance of this day, according to the teachings of our Divine Master.

Resolved, That our official organ, the *Woman's Home Missions*, the *Children's Home Missions*, leaflets, and our literature in general, be more carefully read and circulated, and that the organizing of Reading Circles shall claim more of our attention.

Resolved, That the offer of the Howell Manufacturing Company be not only accepted by the Society, but urged upon the Auxiliaries, that the profits from it may enable them to do more work for our beloved cause.

WHEREAS, Miss Mellor's coming among us with her little class from Alaska, giving us a practical exposition of her work; also the presence of Miss Gibson from New Orleans, and Miss Moore from New Mexico, who bring to us such cheering and encouraging reports; and to the noble order of deaconesses, who have so faithfully labored in the Master's vineyard, filling our hearts with pleasure and enthusiasm, and our minds with broader and clearer views of our duty, giving us also the greater hope of the final redemption of the whole human race; therefore,

Resolved, That we do tender to all of these our sincere thanks, and pledge the work a more hearty support than ever before, assuring them that the benefit we have derived shall be inculcated in our lives, producing permanent results in the service of the Master.

Resolved, That we extend our sincere thanks to the Trustees and members of the Wesley Methodist Episcopal Church for the use of their beautiful building; to the pastor and wife, who have extended so cordial a welcome; to the Committee of ladies, who so graciously received their sisters at the stations; to the Decorating Committee, for their tasteful arrangement of flags and plants (the latter so generously furnished by Mr. Mendenhall); to the agent of the railroad companies, for his kindly interest in our behalf; to the Musical Committee and singers, who are so richly endowed by the Heavenly Father with voices of rare depth and quality; to the ladies of the several Churches, who have so bountifully attended to our temporal wants; to the young ladies, who have been untiring in their services as pages; to the little boys, who have attended to the checking of umbrellas; to the sexton, for his faithful services; to the ladies at the Information Bureau, who have charge of the distribution of the mail; to the Official Board, for their generous gift; to the citizens of Minneapolis, who have so cordially received us to their hearts and homes; to Mrs. H. G. Harrison, for the reception given in her beautiful home; to the mayor of the city, for his most cordial and generous courtesy to the ladies of the Convention, in giving them a ride to the lakes and the Falls of Minnehaha; to President Northrop and Dr. Bridgeman, of Hamline University, for the invitation to visit the State University; and to Mr. T. B. Walker, for so liberally opening his art gallery for our inspection; to our beloved officers, Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk, Mrs. R. S. Rust, Mrs. F. A. Aiken, and Mrs. D. L. Williams, we give our sincere thanks for their untiring service.

Resolved, That we, as a body, extend to His Honor, the Mayor, our sincere sympathy and condolence upon his recent bereavement, in the death of his brave son at Manila. May He who knows of the sparrow's fall strengthen and uphold him in this, his hour of bereavement!

Resolved, That to the press of the city we extend our thanks for

having so correctly reported us to the public, and that these resolutions be given to the Minneapolis papers for publication.

(Signed,) MRS. IDA H. READ,
MRS. HARRIET E. BROWN,
MRS. J. A. LANTRY,
MRS. ANGIE F. NEWMAN,
MRS. I. L. HUNT,
Committee.

ON PLACE OF ANNUAL MEETING.

NEW YORK, Montana, Omaha, and Pittsburg extended cordial invitations for the next Annual Meeting, 1899.

The invitation from Pittsburg was accepted.

MRS. J. E. JACKLIN,
MRS. CHARLES OLNEY,
MRS. M. B. GARDNER,
MRS. L. P. WILLIAMS,
MRS. HELEN COFFIN BEEDY,
Committee.

ON BY-LAWS.

THE report of the Committee on By-laws was submitted by Mrs. J. M. Leonard, and, on motion, considered item by item.

Item No. 1, page 279, Sixteenth Annual Report, Section VI, for Missionary Candidates, No. 5, the word "May" recommended to be changed to *April*. Adopted.

Item No. 8, page 280, under head of By-laws for Conference Societies, insert after the words "Auxiliary Society" *and Young Women's Society;* also, after the word "members" insert *and fraction thereof*.

Respectfully submitted.

MRS. JANE BANCROFT ROBINSON,
MRS. T. J. EVERETT,
MRS. H. H. REED,
MRS. CLARA L. ROACH,
MRS. JOEL M. LEONARD,
Committee.

ON ORGANIZATION.

(Report of Mrs. B. S. Potter.)

I HAVE traveled in the interest of the Society, during the year, 12,009 miles. Any one who has traveled this distance in any benevolent interest has had "experiences." Some of these it is desirable to forget, while many are delightful to remember.

I recall with gratitude and pleasure the hospitable homes that have been open to me. The faces of these friends—for I must so number them—I often see in memory as I think of the work. The most intense pleasure that comes to me is in the fact that our Society is so rapidly increasing in influence and power. Its genius, purpose, and achievements are becoming better known, and I am confident that soon no Church door will be closed against it, and few loyal Methodist women will be out of its fellowship.

I have placed eighty cards in the interest of Rust Hall. A large part of my expense of travel has been met by the Churches and Auxiliaries which I have served. I have been enabled to send some money to the

Emergency Fund, and large collections and pledges I have sought to turn into this channel.

Conferences visited	8
Churches visited having no Auxiliary	21
Churches visited where Auxiliary existed	21
Parlor meetings	6
District meetings	5
Conference Annual Meetings	3
Conference Anniversaries	3
Camp-meetings	2
Organizations effected	15
Young Woman's Home Missionary Societies	1
Number of members secured	382
Number of addresses given	80

To four of the Conferences visited I have returned the second time within the year.

In five Churches Committees of not less than five persons pledged themselves to secure the organization of an Auxiliary, if possible.

In two Churches the pastor requested that no effort be made to organize an Auxiliary. In one of these Churches, after the presentation of the interests of the Society, ten persons voluntarily pledged to pay into its Treasury one dollar each for the year. I trust this impulse has been followed by organization.

REPORT OF MRS. C. W. GALLAGHER.

DURING the past year I have responded to all calls received for work or addresses, and I believe that good results have followed. Many Auxiliaries have been strengthened and made more enthusiastic in their efforts. I have given addresses at District and Annual Meetings in Lynn, Providence, and Malden; also several addresses on the Sabbath in various Churches in the vicinity of Boston, and at special public meetings, arranged by Auxiliaries, including one on August 7th, in the tabernacle at Cottage City.

I have organized an Auxiliary of sixteen members in Auburndale, and secured fourteen subscribers to *Woman's Home Missions*.

There is certainly an opening for more Auxiliaries in our Churches in New England, and a broader effort in the direction of organization will no doubt be followed by a large success.

ON DAY OF HUMILIATION AND PRAYER.

THE observance of this day of confession and prayer will be more highly appreciated as it receives greater attention. No department of our work has in it greater possibilities of good to ourselves, our homes, and our country, than this union of Christian women in prayer. It covers all our work and all our lives with God's promises; great danger in these times of success and victory in our country that God may be forgotten, and that we will feel as did the old heathen king, who said, "Is not this Babylon which I have builded?" It is easier for us to say with the Pharisee, "Lord, I thank thee that I am not like other men," than to pray with the publican, "Lord, be merciful to me, a sinner."

Careful examination and heart-searching will reveal many individual and national sins that must be repented of and forsaken if we expect a continuance of God's favor. The liquor power, so dominant in politics, and the waste and ruin of intemperance, threaten our very existence.

The relations between the rich and poor are dangerous, and can only be harmonized by the Christ spirit. No people can develop as they should who do not withdraw from their usual labors and cares one day in seven, and turn their thoughts to God for communion and help. Civic patriotism needs cultivation, and political corruption needs defeat. Selfishness, pride, the love of money, hatred, envy, jealousy,—all these hateful things should be cast out. The Church must be aroused from its indifference to the prevailing sins all around it, and become a leader in all true reforms. Christianity is the greatest civilizer known, and promotes the highest and truest culture.

It is earnestly desired that every Auxiliary will arrange to observe the last Thursday in February as a day of united and humble prayer.

At San Francisco, Pittsburg, New York, Detroit, Cleveland, and other places interesting and profitable union meetings were held.

It will be an encouragement and aid in future work if these meetings can be reported. This day of prayer is necessary to secure the gold that will enable our Society to follow the flag wherever it goes with its beneficent influences.

MARY C. HICKMAN, *Chairman.*

BEQUEST AND DEVISE.

GEORGE D. SEATON, late of Rockford, Ill., gives to our cause the sum of $500, not yet received.

Harlow Farmer, late of Jacksonville, Ill., gives $50 to the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

L. Augusta Angell bequeaths $300 to our Society, and in a certain contingency the amount may be increased; has not yet been paid to our Treasurer.

John Shultz, Morristown, Pa., bequeathed the sum of $200; $189 was paid by executor June 24th, the whole amount due, less inheritance tax.

Our attorney has been informed that Laura Fellows, late of Lyons, N. Y., has left a will, by which she gave $250 to our Society; but the will was not probated, and seems to be suppressed by interested parties. The matter is being investigated.

From the Rosina C. Smithers estate, Gallipolis, Ohio, we received $770 April 12th, the full amount, less the inheritance tax.

The estate of Margaret P. E. Luqueer, Elmira, N. Y., from which we were to receive one-third of a $10,000 life insurance policy, is still unsettled.

We have received $1,900 from the Martha Amidon estate, the whole amount, $2,000, less the inheritance tax.

We have not yet received the $200 designated as the "Mrs. Freas Brown Fund," given us by the will of Sarah J. Brown, Bloomburg, Pa.

The $1,000 left by will of Mrs. Emma Hammersley to General Fund was paid last July.

From the Lucy A. Williams estate, Pittsfield, Ill., there has been paid into the Woman's Home Mssionary Society Treasury $950.

The bequest of $2,000 from the Mary Lockhart estate, Mauch Chunk, Pa., has not yet been received. It is still in process of settlement.

From the Sarah Lankford Palmer estate we have received $4,192.69.

By the will of Ann E. Jones we are given the sum of $1,047.97, which has been received by our Treasurer.

We have received $147.09 from the Sarah M. Murray estate, Jacksonville, Ill.

The $500 bequeathed by Miss Russell has been paid into the treasury.

The bequest of $250 from the Experience Gardner estate, South Coventry, Conn., has not yet been realized.

Belinda H. Dunton, of Winona, Minn., left a will, by which she gave to our Society $1,000. Nine hundred and forty dollars and twenty cents was paid last February, being the whole amount, less the necessary tax.

By the will of John Wise, of Wilmington, Del., our Society has received $500.

By the will of Camilla M. Jacokes, Pontiac, Mich., our Society was given $500. The full amount has been paid into the treasury.

We have received a bequest of $150 by the will of Mrs. Sarah Monroe, of Joliet, Ill.

Also from Katherine Child, Albion, N. Y., $100.

Total amount of cash received from bequests the last fiscal year, $13,381.70. MRS. RICHARD DYMOND, *Chairman.*

MITE-BOXES.

(From July 16, 1897, to July 16, 1898.)

Number of mite-barrels sent	2,124
Number of mite-jugs sent	485
Number of mite bee-hives sent	3,197
Total	5,806

TOTAL RECEIPTS IN CASH AND POSTAGE:

Received for sale of mite-boxes	$36 87	
Received from mite-box collections	2 90	
Received in postage stamps	6 14	
Received from Mrs. D. L. Williams, Treasurer,	18 90	
Received from Mrs. D. L. Williams, for expenses	12 90	
Total		$77 71

DISBURSEMENTS:

For expenses as above	$12 90	
For mite-box labels	18 90	
Paid to Mrs. D. L. Williams	45 90	
Total		$77 71

Mite-Box Collections in Conferences.

(For year ending July 15, 1898.

Baltimore Conference	$608 64
Central New York Conference	84 68
Central Pennsylvania Conference	220 67
Cincinnati Conference	323 94
Detroit Conference	311 44
East Ohio Conference	230 68
Erie Conference	108 75
Genesee Conference	159 67
Michigan Conference	143 01
Newark Conference	412 48
Northern New York Conference	118 35
North Ohio Conference	86 54
Philadelphia Conference	123 08
Wilmington Conference	88 17
Wisconsin Conference	5 00
Texas Conference	12 00
New England Conference	202 62

New England Southern Conference	$30 55
New Hampshire Conference	51 74
Vermont Conference	44 72
Maine Conference	42 70
Northwest Indiana Conference	45 54
Indiana Conference	136 86
North Indiana Conference	279 43
Upper Iowa Conference	152 46
Northwest Iowa Conference	182 47
Ohio Conference	203 55
Pittsburg Conference	300 00
Troy Conference	17 82
Minnesota and West Minnesota Conferences	87 80
Central Ohio Conference	136 06
Des Moines Conference	21 49
Rock River Conference	37 38
Puget Sound Conference	9 06
Utah Mission	8 75
Wellsville, N. Y.	3 54
East Orange Children's Band	13 00
Iowa Conference	100 00
Nebraska Conference	28 52
Southern California Conference	135 25
West Nebraska Conference	35 00
Total	$5,349 41
Last year's collection	3,888 79
Increase over last year	$1,460 62

The banner Conference is Baltimore, Maryland.
The banner District is Dayton, Ohio, in Cincinnati Conference.
The banner Auxiliary is First Church, Minneapolis, Minn.

I append the following reports from the Divisional Secretaries:

Cincinnati Conference.

(Reported by Mrs. M. P. Brown.)

We are pleased to report a marked improvement in mite-box work in the Cincinnati Conference; not in the increase of money paid into the treasury this year, but in the general awakening of interest in the use of mite-boxes. This is due, in a large measure, to an enthusiastic meeting of Mite-box Secretaries of this Conference, held in Dayton, Ohio, last March, where the work was talked over and planned for in such a way that we have never been able to accomplish in the past. Several ministers and presiding elders were present, and gave us their hearty support. Dayton District was named the "Banner District," not for the largest amount of money raised, but for excellent work done. Every Auxiliary, Circle, and Band in the district had mite-boxes, and in some charges where no Home Missionary Society exists, the little pleaders have found their way. These are a sure foundation on which to build Auxiliaries. This has been verified in Dayton District. Last Easter-tide a little mite-box was sent forth to plead for the cause of Home Missions, and on September 15, 1898, it ripened into an organization with twenty-two members and a request for thirty mite-boxes.

We should have a Mite-box Secretary in every Auxiliary to keep the work before the people, and look after the boxes. We have found it necessary to appoint wide-awake, enthusiastic people for Mite-box Secretaries, and then keep them in that place. If you wish to build a good organization, build on mite-boxes.

	Date.	Am't.	Prem.
HOLLY SPRINGS, MISS.—			
E. L. Rust Industrial Home,	May 21, 1901,	$1,900	$40 76
GREENSBORO, N. C.—			
Kent Home,	May 23, 1901,	2,700	81 00
OCALA, FLORIDA.—			
Emerson Memorial Home,	Apr. 8, 1901,	2,100	63 00
ATLANTA, GA.—			
Thayer Home,	June 10, 1901,	2,500	50 00
DULCE, NEW MEXICO.—			
Indian Work,	June 9, 1901,	2,000	40 00
Totals,			$1,444 03
Return Premium received,			13 06
Net,			$1,430 97

Total Amount of Insurance in Force for the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

	Am't.	Prem.
ATHENS, TENN.—Ritter Industrial Home,	$12,500	$250 00
MORRISTOWN, TENN.—Industrial School,	4,000	80 00
CAMDEN, S. C.—Browning Industrial School,	7,8000	234 00
MARSHALL, TEXAS.—King Home,	10,000	300 00
HOLLY SPRINGS, MISS.—E. L. Rust Industrial Home,	3,8000	81 51
YORK, NEBRASKA.—Mothers' Jewels Home,	20,995	426 90
LITTLE ROCK, ARK.—		
Adeline Smith Industrial Home,	6,000	134 99
DULCE, NEW MEXICO.—Indian Work,	2,000	40 00
SAVANNAH, GA.—Haven Industrial Home,	10,400	148 50
SAND FLY STATION, GA.—Industrial Home,	2,000	40 00
ELSINORE, UTAH,	500	20 00
LOGAN, UTAH,	3,000	90 00
PROVO, UTAH,	1,000	30 00
SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH,	850	12 75
GREENSBORO, N. C.,	2,700	81 00
ASHEVILLE, N. C.—Allen Home,	10,850	272 00
ORANGEBURG, S. C.—Sampson Home,	3,000	75 00
CINCINNATI, OHIO.—Glenn Home,	9,500	39 50
MADALIN, N. Y.,	10,000	207 50
PAWHUSKA, O. T.,	1,800	54 00
PONCA, INDIAN TER.,	400	12 00
ALBUQUERQUE, N. M.—Harwood Iudustrial Home,	5,000	150 00
JACKSONVILLE, FLA.—		
Boylan Home Orphanage and Dwelling,	6,450	205 50
OCALA, FLA.—Emerson Home,	3,000	90 00
WHATCOM CO., WASH.,	1,800	36 00
ATLANTA, GA.—Thayer Home,	5,000	100 00
NASHVILLE, TENN.,	1,000	25 00
UNALASKA, ALASKA.—Jesse Lee Home,	7,000	215 00
Totals,	$152,345	$3,451 15

Signed by Mrs. GEO. H. THOMPSON,
Mrs. W. A. GOODMAN, Jr.
Mrs. I. D. JONES.

ON APPROPRIATIONS.

The Committee on Appropriations recommended the following appropriations for 1898–99, which report was adopted:

Southern Work.

THAYER HOME, ATLANTA, GA.—Superintendent and assistants, salary and travel,	$865 00
Incidentals, repairs, and painting,	281 00
Addition to building (conditional),	550 00
Student aid (conditional),	450 00
Total,	$2,146 00
HAVEN HOME AND SCHOOL, SAVANNAH, GA. — Superintendent of Home, and teachers, salary and travel,	$1,480 00
Incidentals and repairs,	300 00
Furniture and school supplies,	125 00
Student aid (conditional),	500 00
Total,	$2,405 00
MARY HAVEN HOME, SPEEDWELL, GA.—Salary and travel,	$320 00
Current expenses,	175 00
Repairs and painting,	60 00
Total,	$555 00
BOYLAN HOME AND SCHOOL, JACKSONVILLE, FLA. — Superintendent and teachers, salary and travel,	$1,590 00
Two teachers (conditional),	480 00
Incidentals and repairs,	200 00
Sidewalk (if required),	100 00
Student aid (conditional),	400 00
Total,	$2,770 00
EMERSON HOME AND SCHOOL, OCALA, FLA. — Superintendent and teachers, salary and travel,	$835 00
Incidentals and repairs,	200 00
Finishing and furnishing third story (conditional),	500 00
Student aid,	300 00
Total,	$1,835 00

EL PASO, TEXAS—Missionary, salary, $480; rent and incidentals, $150,	$630 00
LAS VEGAS, NEW MEXICO—Missionary, salary, $480; rent and incidentals, $200,	680 00
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (conditional),	400 00
KEY WEST,	100 00
PORTO RICO (conditional),	800 00
Total to Spanish Work (conditional, $2,000),	$4,560 00

Indian Work.

NEW MEXICO AND ARIZONA, DULCE—Two missionaries,	$960 00
Assistants in Home and School,	200 00
Incidentals and furnishing,	200 00
Student aid (conditional),	200 00
Total,	$1,560 00
NAVAJOES, JEWETT—Missionary and teacher,	$720 00
Interpreter,	230 00
Building and furnishing,	230 00
Incidentals,	175 00
Total,	$1,355 00
INDIAN AND FRONTIER. PAWNEE, O. T.,	$100 00
PONCA, O. T.,	530 00
PAWHUSKA, O. T., ADELAIDE SPRINGER MISSION,	440 00
YAKIMA AGENCY, FT. SIMCOE,	480 00
UKIAH, CAL.,	120 00
STICKNEY HOME, NOOKSACHK, WASH. — Superintendent and teacher,	$540 00
Incidentals,	300 00
Student aid (conditional),	800 00
Total,	$1,640 00
Total for Indian Work (conditional, $1,000),	$6,225 00

Alaska.

Missionaries, salary and incidentals,	$865 00
Dispensary,	100 00
Furnishing and repairs,	500 00
Student aid (conditional),	2,000 00
Hospital (conditional),	10,000 00
Total for Alaska,	$13,465 00
(Conditional, $12,000.)	

Immigrant Work.

IMMIGRANT HOME, NEW YORK—Two missionaries, ...	$960 00
Domestic, $230; rent, $2,500; current expenses, $500, . . .	3,230 00
Total, ...	$4,190 00
IMMIGRANT HOME, PHILADELPHIA — Superintendent, salary (conditional), $200; rent, $200; current expenses, $200,	600 00
IMMIGRANT HOME, BOSTON — Superintendent and helpers, . .	1,016 00
Repairs, $500; fuel, $225; incidentals, $30, ...	755 00
Medical Mission (conditional), ...	1,150 00
Total, ...	$2,921 00
Total for Immigrant Work, ...	$7,711 00
(Condititional, ... $1,350.)	
WATTS DE PEYSTER HOME—Superintendent, salary, ...	$960 00
Teachers, $720; farmer, $420; indoor help, $350, ...	1,490 00
Current expenses, $600; fuel and light, $250; repairs, $200,	1,050 00
Heating apparatus ($600 conditional), ...	1,600 00
Student aid (conditional), ...	1,000 00
Total, ...	$6,100 00
(Conditional, ... $1,600.)	
E. E. MARCY HOME, CHICAGO—Superintendent and assistants, salary, ...	$600 00
Janitor, $145; table expenses, $300; incidentals, $84, . . .	529 00
Building ($2,500 conditional), ...	5,000 00
Kindergarten (conditional), ...	200 00
Total (conditional, $2,700), ...	$6,329 00
GLENN HOME, CINCINNATI ($2,000 conditional), ...	$2,500 00
(Total conditional, ... $2,000.)	
MOTHERS' JEWELS HOME, YORK, NEB. — Superintendent and matron, salary, ...	$1,040 00
Helpers, ...	1,080 00
Current expenses, $2,700; painting, $150; furnishings, etc., (conditional), $350, ...	3,200 00
Student aid (conditional), ...	1,000 00
Total (conditional, $1,350), ...	$6,320 00
LUCY WEBB HAYES TRAINING-SCHOOL, WASHINGTON, D. C.— Salaries, $840; rent, $850; repairs and furnishing, $650; current expenses, $4,000, ...	$6,340 00
Support of deaconesses, $1,000; local city work, $500 (conditional), ...	1,500 00
Student aid (conditional), ...	3,000 00
Reappropriations for Rust Hall (conditional), ...	10,000 00
Total (conditional, $14,500), ...	$20,840 00
SIBLEY HOSPITAL (conditional, $1,000), ...	$2,000 00
REST HOME, OCEAN GROVE, N. J. (conditional), ...	$3,600 00
(Conditional, ... $3,600.)	

Deaconess Work (Conditional).

BALTIMORE,	$4,000 00
BROOKLYN,	4,500 00
BUFFALO,	4,000 00
CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA CONFERENCE,	600 00
CLEVELAND,	4,000 00
DENVER,	1,000 00
DES MOINES,	1,200 00
DETROIT,	3,000 00
GRAND RAPIDS,	2,500 00
INDIANAPOLIS,	1,000 00
JACKSON,	2,000 00
JERSEY CITY,	1,500 00
KNOXVILLE,	1,000 00
LOS ANGELES,	1,000 00
NEW MEXICO,	250 00
PHILADELPHIA,	5,000 00
PITTSBURG,	2,500 00
SAN FRANCISCO,	3,000 00
SYRACUSE,	3,500 00
TROY CONFERENCE,	300 00
URBANA,	2,000 00
WICHITA,	1,000 00
Total for Deaconess Work,	$48,850 00
(Conditional, $48,850.)	

Oriental Work.

SAN FRANCISCO (conditional, $1,000),	$3,000 00
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (conditional),	300 00
HAWAII ($250 conditional),	500 00
Total (conditional $1,550),	$3,800 00

Conference Work (Conditional).

MICHIGAN CONFERENCE,	$800 00
NEWARK CONFERENCE,	500 00
PITTSBURG CONFERENCE,	500 00
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE,	1,500 00
Total (conditional, $3,300),	$3,300 00
HELENA, MONTANA ($250 conditional)	$500 00
Printing accounts,	$2,500 00
Office expenses,	2,500 00
Attorney's fee,	300 00
Interest on endowments, annuities, and notes,	2,000 00
Insurance,	600 00
Leaflets,	75 00
Incidentals,	2,000 00

GRAND TOTAL,	$177,477 00
UNCONDITIONAL,	72,827 00
CONDITIONAL,	104,650 00

Summary.

	Unconditional.	Conditional.
Southern Work,	$19,982 00	$7,420 00
Utah,	3,860 00	180 00
Spanish Work,	2,560 00	2,000 00
Indian Work,	5,225 00	1,000 00
Alaska,	1,465 00	12,000 00
Immigrant Work,	6,361 00	1,350 00
Watts de Peyster Home,	4,500 00	1,600 00
E. E. Marcy Home,	3,629 00	2,700 00
Glenn Home,	500 00	2,000 00
Mothers' Jewels Home,	4,970 00	1,350 00
L. W. H. Training School,	6,340 00	14,500 00
Sibley Hospital,	1,000 00	1,000 00
Rest Home, Ocean Grove,		3,600 00
Deaconess Work,		48,850 00
Oriental Work,	2,250 00	1,550 00
Conference Work,		3,300 00
Helena, Montana,	250 00	250 00
General Expenses,	9,975 00	
Total,	$72,867 00	$104,650 00

The following recommendations from the Finance Committee were approved:

1. The erection of a building for industrial occupation for girls at Orangeburg, S. C., should the money be provided without draft upon the treasury.

2. Mrs. Mather's proposition to erect a cottage for boys in connection with Browning Home, at Camden, S. C., at a cost of $800.

3. The proposition of a friend to pay half the cost of a cottage for lodging in connection with Bennett Home, provided the Society pay the other half.

4. That as the country expands by the acquisition of new territory, we hold ourselves ready to enter the new fields as the state of the treasury will justify us in doing so.

DELIA L. WILLIAMS, Chairman.

(Signed), MRS. L. J. EVERETT, Secretary.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

MRS. DELIA L. WILLIAMS,

In account with the WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY,

July 15, 1897 to July 15, 1898.

RECEIPTS FROM CONFERENCES.

Baltimore Conference.

MRS. M. E. BROWN, Treasurer, 902 Fourteenth Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

General Fund.—BALTIMORE DISTRICT.—Annapolis: First Church, $6; Baltimore: Eutaw Street, $10.35; First Church, $115; Junior, $10; Granite, $4.60; Madison Avenue, $95; Junior, $3.50; Mt. Vernon Place, $39; Magothy, $1; South Baltimore, $39.80; Strawbridge, $91; Wesley, $22.75; Woodbury: Grace, $15.25. Total, $453.25.

EAST BALTIMORE DISTRICT.—Baltimore: Broadway, $16.25; Canton Street, $35.12; Carolina Street, $5.33; East Baltimore Station, $26.50; Greenmount Avenue, $6; Harford Avenue, $35.45; Monument Street, $28.25; Madison Square, $20; Montford Avenue, $8.75; Mite-box, 39 cents; Waverly, $12. Total, $194.04.

WEST BALTIMORE DISTRICT.—Bethany, $25.25; Columbia Avenue, $29; Emory, $15.75; Franklin Street, $30; Fayette Street, $46; Junior, $3.90; Collection Annual Meeting, $31.50; Grace, $59; Junior, $9; Harlem Park, $35; Union Square, $29; Walbrook, $28; Whatcoat, $58. Total, $399.40.

FREDERICK DISTRICT.—Cumberland Center, $32.50; Ijamsville, $6; Martinsburg, $23.50. Total, $62.

WASHINGTON DISTRICT.—Anacosta, $20.80; Douglas Memorial, $25.60; Dumbarton, $26; Foundry, $36; Junior, $23.50; Fifteenth Street, $11.95; Grace, $8; Hamline, $110; Junior, $26.35; Kensington, $13.75; Lanham, $3.62; Metropolitan, $60.50; McKendree, $25.75; Junior, $14.75; North Capital, $4.75; Ryland, $38.25; St. Paul, $32; Trinity, $38.10; Twelfth Street, $38.50; Union, $26.20; Waugh, $38; Wesley, $42; Junior, $13.15. Total, $677.52.

SOUTH BALTIMORE DISTRICT.—Mite-box, $17.58; Leaflet, $8.25; Gifts, $111.29. Total, $137.12.

Total to General Fund, ... $1,923.33.

Of the above amount $499.28 is half dues for Deaconess work, received by voucher.

Special General Fund.—*Missionaries' Salaries.*—Baltimore: First Church, $30; Junior, $10; Columbia Avenue, $5; Franklin Street, $5; Emory, $10; Fayette Street, $10; Junior, $2.50; Union Square, $11; Harlem Park, $10; Bethany, $10; Walbrook, $1.50; Eutaw Street, $1; Grace and Woodbury, $1; Wesley Chapel, $5; Madison Avenue, $26; Strawbridge, $15; Broadway, $10; East Baltimore Station, $10; Howard Avenue, $5; Monument Street, $5; Montford Avenue, $2; Washington: Dumbarton, $5; Foundry, $30; Metropolitan, $25; St. Paul, $18.80; Trinity, $15; Union, $6.64; Whatcoat, $10. Total, $295.44.

Emergency Fund.—Baltimore: Broadway, $10; East Baltimore Station, $5: First Church, $30; Junior, $5; Fayette Street Circle, $10; Choir, $5; McKendree, $10; Harford Avenue, $10; Mt. Vernon Place, $12; Montford Avenue, $2; Monument Street, $5; Madison Avenue, $6; Ijamsville Circle, $5; South Baltimore Station, $5; Strawbridge, $10; Whatcoat, $5; Washington: Hamline, $15; Metropolitan, $5; St. Paul, $20.50; Mrs. V. E. Childs, $1; Trinity, $5; Wesley, $5. Total, $186.50.

Total Special General Fund, ... $481.94.

Beneficiary Fund.—*To Harwood Home.*—Washington: Hamlin, $30; Elkton, Md., $3.38. Total, $33.38.

To Jesse Lee Home.—Baltimore: Grace, $25; Madison Avenue, $50; South Baltimore Station, $10; Washington: Firteenth Street, $3.35; Hamline, $47.25; Metropolitan, $50; St. Paul, 7 cents; Union, $8; Waugh, $50; Wesley, Jr., $50.01. Total, $293.68.

To Lucy Webb Hayes Home.—By Voucher, $86.50. Total, $86.50.

To New Jersey Home.—Washington: Gift, $1. Total, $1.

Oriental Work.—Washington: Foundry, $1; Junior, $5; Metropolitan, $1; Ryland, $2.50; St. Paul, $1.25; Trinity, $2.50; Twelfth Street, 25 cents; Waugh, $1; Wesley, $2.50; Union, $5. Total, $22.

Watts de Peyster Home.—Washington: Wesley, $12; Summit Grove Camp, $2; Emory Grove Camp, 55 cents; Trinity, $2; St. Paul, $5; Metropolitan, $5; Foundry Junior, $5; Union, $6; Rowland Avenue, $2; Hamline, $27.45; Towson League, $1; Wesley Chapel, $2.

By Voucher, $80. Total, $150.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $586.56.

Special Fund.—*Yakima Indian Work.*—Strawbridge, $6. Total, $6.

To Jesse Lee Home.—Washington: St. Paul, $100; Foundry Church, $2.50; Cumberland, Md.: Center Street for Hospital, $8.

By Voucher, $7.10. Total, $117.60.

By Voucher.—*To Deaconess Home, Baltimore, $3,044.10; *To Deaconess Home, Washington, $1,532.94; To Sibley Hospital, $651.74; To Bancroft Rest home, $71.50; To Harwood Home, $5.

Total Special Fund, ... $5,428.88.

Grand total, ... 8,420.71.

California Conference.

MRS. ABBIE A. STUDLEY, Treasurer, 717 Sliotwell Street, San Francisco.

General Fund.—NAPA DISTRICT.—Napa: Centenary Church, $6; Petaluma, $3.30; Santa Rosa, $5.64. Total, $14.94.

OAKLAND DISTRICT.—Alameda: First Church, $20; Berkley: Trinity, $18.50; Young Ladies, $4.25; Modesto, $7.75; Oakland: Eighth Avenue, $12; First Church, Young Ladies, $8.75; First Church, $25; Stockton: Central, $15.99. Total, $112.24.

SACRAMENTO DISTRICT.—Sacramento: Sixth Street, $10.25; Grass Valley, $17.15. Total, $27.40.

SAN FRANCISCO DISTRICT.—Centella, $5.50; Gilroy, $1.50; Gonzales, $1.25; Pacific Grove, $10.75; Santa Cruz, $7.87; San Jose: First Church, $22.50; Santa Clara, $5; San Francisco: Central, $17.50; Epworth, $4.22;

*This report notes only the Deaconess Funds that have passed through the General Treasury. More or less of the income of each home is received and disbursed by a local board. For a complete financial report of Deaconess Work see pages 121–139.

Grace, $15.15; Circle, $2.75; Friendly, $3.50; Circle, $2; Simpson Memorial, $12; Trinity, $5.25; Powell Street, $5; Howard Street, $9; Circle, $5; King's Daughters Circle, $2.25. Total, $137.99.
Leaflet, $5.
Conference Collection, $70.
Half dues to Deaconess Work.—By Voucher, $99.34.
Total to General Fund, ... $466.91.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.*—San Francisco: California Street, $5; Grass Valley, $5; Santa Clara, $5; Santa Rosa, $8; Oakland, $5. Total, $28.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Oriental Work.*—By Voucher, $1,052.94.
Total, $1,052.94.

Special Fund.—*Deaconess Work.*—* San Francisco: by Voucher, $2,246.22.
Frontier Work.—By Voucher, $103.10.
Utah Work.—For Flag, $14.50. Total, $2,363.82.
Grand total, ... $3,911.67.

Central Illinois Conference.

MRS. ELLA BRADWAY, Treasurer, Abingdon, Illinois.

General Fund.—KANKAKEE DISTRICT.—Onarga, $19.45; Orange, $10; Watseka Camp, $6; Sale of Reports, $1. Total, $36.45.
ROCK ISLAND DISTRICT.—Rock Island, $13.50; Circle, $18.50.
Total, $32.

GALESBURG DISTRICT.—Carthage, $5; Circle, $7.75; Abingdon, $8.50; North Henderson, $2.50; Jewels, $1.10. Total, $24.85.
Conference Gatherings, $11.50.
Total General Fund, ... $104.80.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.*—Carthage, $14; Rock Island, $5; Miss Jennie Taylor, $5; Tirkilwa, $10.
Total Special General Fund, ... $34.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Rust Home.*—Carthage, $5. Total, $5.
Ritter Home.—Rock Island, $42. Total, $42.
Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $47.00.
Grand total, ... 185.80.

Central Missouri Conference.

MRS. G. B. ABBOTT, Treasurer, 1913 Locust St., Kansas City, Mo.

General Fund.—ST. LOUIS DISTRICT.—Farmington, 50 cents; Montgomery City, $1; Rolla 40 cents; Wellsville, $1. Total $2.90.
KANSAS CITY DISTRICT.—Kansas City: Grand Avenue, $6; Summit Street, $11.50; Clara Mitchell Circle, $13.25. Total, $30.75.
ST. JOSEPH DISTRICT.—Columbia, $1; Fayette, $1.60; Independence, $1; Mexico, 50 cents; New Franklin, 25 cents; Sturgeon, 25 cents; Kansas City: Asbury, $1.60; Burne, 25 cents. Total, $6.45.

* See Note foot of page 121.

SEDALIA DISTRICT.—Slater, $1; Odessa, 25 cents. Total, $1.25.
TOPEKA DISTRICT.—Topeka: Asbury, $3.50; North Topeka, $1. Total, $4.50.
Total General Fund, ... $45.85.

Emergency Fund.—Springfield: Benton Avenue, $5. Total, $5.
Grand total, ... $50.85.

Central New York Conference.

MRS. J. F. PEASE, Treasurer, 107 Merriman Avenue, Syracuse, N. Y.

General Fund.—AUBURN DISTRICT.—Auburn: First Church, $54; Wall Street, $36; Clyde, $47, Jewels, $2.30; Ithaca: First Church, $44.86; Band, 52 cents; Ledyard, $1; Newfield, $5.50; New Hope and Kellogsville, $1; N. Lansing and Lansingville, $3; Red Creek Circle, $12.11; Seneca Falls, $25.98; Savannah, $19; Sterling, $2.40; Victory, $8.75; Weedsport, $27; Circle, $11.66; Jewels, $1.20. Total, $303.28.

CAZENOVIA DISTRICT.—Canastota, $21.30; Cazenovia, $41.25; Chittenango Circle, $8.13; Jewels, 60 cents; Cortland, $60; Junior, $2.75; Jewels, 50 cents; DeRuyter, $9; Homer, $21; Jewels, $1.40; Keeney, $9; Manlius, $30; Oneida, $49.50; Band, $1.50; West Dryden, $7; baking powder, $6. Total, $268.93.

ELMIRA DISTRICT.—Burlington, $1; Canton, $23.40; Circle, $11; Jewels, $2.50; Chenung, $10; East Troy and West Burlington, $1; Forksville, $1; Elmira: First Church, $40.25; Circle, $16.50; Jewels, $4; Busy Bees, $5; Home Lights, $7; Hedding, $37; Horse Head, $15.80; Riverside, $13.89; Wellsburg, $25; Troy, Pa., $23.10. Total, $237.44.

GENEVA DISTRICT.—Bellona, $4.50; Canandaigua, $44.75; Geneva, $24.25; Queen Esther, $11.50; Gorham, $4; Lyons, $60; Jewels, $1.90; Band, $9; Middlesex, $13.50; Milo Center, $26; Mecklenburg, $6; Newark, $43.25; Donation, $7; Circle, $3.85; Palmyra, $30; Penn Yan, $25.50; Sodus, $24.35; Seneca Castle, $22; Jewels. 90 cents; Trumansburg, $6.75; sale of baking powder, $1.60; Williamson, $29; Wayne and Corrington, $3. Total, $402.60.

SYRACUSE DISTRICT.—Amber, $2; Baldwinsville, $52; Circle, $9; Jewels, $4.41; DeWitt, $22; Jewels, $2; Euclid, $11; Liverpool, $12.88; Syracuse: Brown Memorial, $11.63; Jewels, $2.20; Erwin, $18; Centenary, $31.08; Willing Workers, $6.25; Home Lights, $10; Jewels, $1.60; First Church, $42: Jewels, $5.80; life member, $20; First Ward, $21.88; Furman Street, $12.87; University, $35.87; Jewels, $6.70; West Genesee, $16.50; Jewels, $3.90. Total, $361.57.

Of above amount, $7.88 Deaconess's half dues by voucher.

Total to General Fund, ... $1,616.10.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.*—Chittenango, $5; Canastota, $25; Canton, $5; Catharine, $3; Cortland, $20; DeWitt Willing Workers, $5; Elmyra: Hedding, $9.75; First Church, $5; Home Lights, $5; Ithaca, $20; Newark, $9.60; Oneida, $20.30; Homer, $5; Liverpool, $5; Lyons, $22.38; Palmyra, $6; Furman Street Dorcas Society, $5; Keeney, $5; Riverside, $5; Millsport, $5; Weedsport, $3.75; West Genesee, $5; Troy, Pa., $4; Syracuse: First Church, $25.13; Centenary, $5; Home Lights. $5; Seneca Falls, $17.64. Total, $256.55.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Bennett Home.*—Canton, $25. Total, $25.
Haven Home.—Oneida, $3.25. Total, $3.25.
Home, not named.—Elmira: Hedding, $10. Total, $10.
Jesse Lee Home.—Elmira: First Church, $5; Penn Yan, $50. Total, $55.
King Home.—Canton, $10. Total, $10.

Lucy Webb Hayes Home.—Oneida, $5. Total, $5.
Mothers' Jewels Home.—Lyons, $10. Total, $10.
Ritter Home.—Elmira; Hedding, $30. Total, $30
Stickney Home.—Canandaigua, $5; Cortland, $64.50; Canton, $2.50; Middlesex, $5; Weedsport, $2.50. Total, $79.50.
Simpson Home.—DeWitt, $23.27; Geneva, $10; Queen Esther, $10; Syracuse: First Church, $16.77. Total, $60.04.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $287.79.

Special Fund.—*Lucy Webb Hayes-Rust Hall.*—Baldwinsville, $6; Canton, $2.50; DeWitt, $2; Elmira: First Church, $20; Hedding Church, $10; Ithaca: First Church, $5; Liverpool, $2; Lyons, $5; Savannah, $1; Seneca Falls, $2; Syracuse: Furman Street, $5; First Church, $10; Centenary, $5; University, $10; West Genesee, $2; Weedsport, $3.25. Total, $90.75.
*Syracuse Deaconess Home.**—By voucher, $157.25.
Mary Haven Home.—By voucher, $1.

Total to Special Fund, ... $249.00.
Grand total, ... 2,409.44.

Central Ohio Conference.

MRS. J. M. AVANN, Treasurer, 531 Bancroft Street, Toledo, Ohio.

General Fund.—BELLEFONTAINE DISTRICT.—Anna, $15.25; Bellefontaine, $61.50; DeGraff, $15.75; Hardin, $12; Lena, $2.90; Quincy, $8.75; St. Paris, $16; Sidney, $49.80. Total, $181.95.
DEFIANCE DISTRICT.—Bryan, $19.25; Defiance, $28.25; Circle, $7; Mite-boxes, $5; Ottawa, $20; Pioneer, $28.50. Total, $108.
DELAWARE DISTRICT.—Carey, $19.25; Delaware: William Street, $42.25; Marion, $62; Marysville, $35; Mt. Victory, $14.65; Prospect, $5.17; Jewels, $2.30. Total, $180.62.
FINDLAY DISTRICT.—Ada, $9; Benton Ridge, $3.25; Bloomdale, $17; Findlay: First Church, $28.69; Fostoria, $48; Fremont, $50; Circle, $10; Jewels, $5; Houcktown, $4.75; North Baltimore, $2.50. Total, $178.19.
LIMA DISTRICT.—Delphos, $8.35; Lima: Trinity, $33.25; Mite-boxes, $5; Mercer, $4.05; Middlepoint: Grace, $3; St. Mary's, $20.25; Van Wert, $19.75; Band, $3.39; Jewels, $4.20; Wapakoneta, $13. Total, $114.24.
TOLEDO DISTRICT.—Bowling Green, $35.50; Circle, $10.25; Jewels, $1; Gibsonburg, $24.75; Mite-boxes, $6; Oak Harbor, $10; Richfield Center: Farley Church, $12.50; Tinney, $14.75; Toledo: Albany Street, $10; Jewels, $1; Broadway, $20; Circle, $2; Jewels, $1.70; Detroit Avenue, $4; Epworth, $17.50; Jewels, $2; Monroe Street, $2; St. Paul's, $86; Band, 58 cents; Jewels, $6.50. Total, $268.03.
Leaflet, 25 cents.

Total General Fund, ... $1,031.28.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency.*—Anna, $5; Antwerp, $5; Carey, $3; DeGraff, $10; Delaware: William Street, $79.80; Findlay: First Church, $5; Fostoria, $5; Fremont, $5; Lafayette, $5; Marion, $10; Marysville, $10; Ottawa, $10; Prairie Depot, $5; Toledo: Broadway, $4.20; Epworth, $5; Van Wert: Band, $5. Total, $179.
Missionary's Salary.—Anna, $5; Bellefontaine, $15; Benton Ridge, $4.25; Bowling Green, $5; Bryan, $12; Defiance, $51.75; DeGraff, $15; Delaware: William Street, $20.38; Delphos, $10.40; Findlay: First Church, $15; Fostoria, $10; Fremont, $15; Gibsonburg, $10; Houcktown, $10.75; Lima: Trinity, $10; Marion, $15; Marysville, $3; Middlepoint: Grace, $6.87; Mt.

* See note, page 121

Victory, $4; Ottawa, $10; Pioneer, $5; Prospect, $1; Quincy, $2.80; St. Mary's, $6.85; St. Paris, $3.50; Sidney, $30; Tinney, $5; Toledo: Broadway, $5; Epworth, $10; St. Paul, $20; Van Wert, $6.87; Wapakoneta, $6.87.
Total, $351.29.

Total Special General Fund, ... $530.29.

Beneficiary Funds.—*Haven Home.*—Toledo: St. Paul Young Ladies, $25.33. Total, $25.33.
Alaska.—Bryan, $6; Fostoria, $15; Toledo: St. Paul, $5. Total, $26.
Asheville.—Mt. Victory, $52.95. Total, $52.95.
Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—Bellefontaine, $25; Lima: Trinity, $20; Toledo: St. Paul, $10; Van Wert, $15. Total, $70.
Oriental Work.—Dunkirk: Epworth League, $5. Total, $5.
Ritter Home.—Lima: Trinity, $30; Toledo: St. Paul, $8. Total, $38.
Stickney Home.—Fremont, $10. Total, $10

Total Beneficiary, ... $227.28.

Special Funds.—*Asheville.*—Bloomdale, $3 Defiance, $11.80; Young Ladies, $20; Delphos, $13.25; Edgerton, $4; Findlay: First Church, $52.09; Fostoria, $15; Fremont, $10; Gibsonburg, $9; Lima: Trinity, $25; Ottawa, $30; Quincy, $2.20; Sidney, $45; Tinney, $20.25; Toledo: Epworth, $10.80; Ironville, $1; St. Paul, $50. Total, $322.39.
Immigrant, New York.—Toledo: St. Paul, $5. Total, $5.
Jesse Lee Home.—Toledo: St. Paul, $5. Total, $5.
Glenn Home.—Voucher, $10.
Yakima Indian Mission.—Delaware: William Street, $3.84; Gibsonburg, $5; Toledo: St. Paul, $5. Total, $13.84.

Total Special Fund, ... $356.23.
Grand total, ... 2,145.09.

Central Pennsylvania Conference.

MRS. J. P. LUCE, Treasurer, 121 North Thirteenth Street, Harrisburg, Pa.

General Fund.—ALTOONA DISTRICT.—Altoona: Eighth Avenue, $46.75; First Church, $14.50; Bellefonte, $26.45; Beech Creek, $7; Clearfield, $21.25; Curwensville, $7.25; Houtzdale, $8; Hollidaysburg, $4; Phillipsburg, $40.50; Tyrone, $18.75. Total, $194.45.
DANVILLE DISTRICT.—Ashland, $1.50; Berwick, $29; Bloomingdale, $3.60; Hazleton, $12.25; St. Paul, $5; Mt. Carmel, $19.37; Mt. Grove, $7; Sunbury, $28.10; Jewels, $6.90; Queen Esther, $2.50; Shamokin, $15.
Total, $120.22.
HARRISBURG DISTRICT.—Carlisle, $27.75; Circle, $2; Chambersburg, $23; Harrisburg: Grace, $116.75; Jewels, $12; Ridge Avenue, $18.50; Fifth Street, $15.50; Thirteenth Street, $17; Jewels, $17. Total, $249.50.
JUNIATA DISTRICT.—Bedford, $6.30; Lewistown, $17; Jewels, $1.20; Mt. Union, $8.15. Total, $32.65.
WILLIAMSPORT DISTRICT.—Emporium: Jewels, $3.40; Jersey Shore, $26.75; Jewels, $3.70; Lock Haven, $31.25; Milton, $19; Williamsport: Grace, $20.25; Circle, $4; Jewels, $3.40; High Street, $12.25; Mulberry Street, $53.90; Jewels, 90 cents; Queen Esther Circle, $5; Pine Street, $60; Jewels, $8.20; Third Street, $16; Fourth Street, 75 cents; Queen Esther, $7.50. Total, $276.25.
Leaflet, $2.50.

Total to General Fund, ... $885.57.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.*—Altoona: Eighth Avenue, $5; Berwick, $21; Beech Creek, $5; Carlisle, $2; Clearfield, $13; Curwens-

ville, $1; Harrisburg: Grace, $5; Mrs. E. Carpenter, $1; Hollidaysburg, $1; Jersey Shore, $1.50; Lock Haven, $4; Mt. Carmel, 25 cents; Milton, $5; Phillipsburg, $8; Shamokin, 25 cents; Sunbury: Queen Esther Circle, $5; Williamsport: Mulberry Street, $13; Queen Esther, $5; Pine Street, $5.50. Total, $101.50.

Missionary Salary.—Berwick, $11; Carlisle, $5; Harrisburg: Grace, $50; Lock Haven, $5; Shamokin, $5; Williamsport: Mulberry Street, $17; Pine Street, $7. Total, $100.

Total Special General Fund, ... $201.50.

Beneficiary Fund.—*To Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.*—East Waterford, $1.05; Hollidaysburg, $4; Houtzdale, $1.50; Hazleton, $1.50; Harrisburg: Thirteenth Street, $6; Hustontown, $1; Mercersburg $2; Milton, $5; Montoursville, $5; Jersey Shore, $10; Lock Haven, $5; Phillipsburg, $5; Port Royal, $1; Shamokin, $5; Sunbury, $10; Queen Esther, $8.80; Williamsport: Grace, $15; Mulberry Street, $18; Queen Esther, $20; Pine Street, $4. Total, $128.85.

Asheville.—Berwick, $3; Clearfield, $5; Phillipsburg, $2. Total, $10.
Jesse Lee Home.—From mite-boxes, $50. Total, $50.
Mothers' Jewels Home.—From mite-boxes, $54.80. Total, $54.80.
Oriental Work.—From mite-boxes, $30.67. Total, $30.67.
Ritter Home.—Hollidaysburg, $40. Total, $40.
Stickney Home.—From mite-boxes, for Isaac Watts, $40. Total, $40.
Watts de Peyster Home.—From mite-boxes, $50. Total, $50.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $404.52.

Special Fund.—*To Asheville.*—Altoona: First Church, $2; Berwick, $25; Carlisle, $5; Chambersburg, $5; Mountain Grove, $8; Sunbury: Queen Esther, $10.50; Williamsport: Grace, $10. Total, $65.50.
Yakima Indian Work.—Phillipsburg, by voucher, $7. Total, $7.
Local Deaconess Work.—By voucher, $739. Total, $739.
Lucy Webb Hayes Home.—By voucher, $1. Total, $1.
Rust Hall.—Harrisburg: Grace, $10. Total, $10.

Total Special Fund, ... $822.50.
Grand total, ... 2,314.09.

Cincinnati Conference.

MRS. J. G. R. WRIGHT, Treasurer, Walnut Hills, Cincinnati.

General Fund.—CINCINNATI DISTRICT.—Carthage, $5; Cincinnati: Asbury, $11; Avondale, $33.30; Jewels, 80 cents; Camp Washington, $1; Christie, $58; Jewels, $2.07; Band, $9.31; Cumminsville, $19.06; Jewels, 50 cents; Band, $1; Delhi, $13.50; Fairmount, $3; Glenn Home Jewels, $6; Linwood, $11: Jewels, $1; Band, $1.15; Mt. Auburn, $16; Jewels, 20 cents; Mt. Lookout, $35; Jewels, $5.80; Band, $4.25; Price Hill, $19; Jewels, $1; St. Paul, $27.20; Jewels, $2.60; Band, $2.25; Trinity, $13.90; Circle, $7; Walnut Hills, $93; Jewels, $8.80; Circle, $8.50; Band, $21.50; York Street, $14; Jewels, $1.10; Hartwell, $40; Jewels, $2.70; Band, $4; Norwood: Grace, $45; Jewels, $12; Winton Place, $25; Jewels, $14.30. Total, $600.79.

DAYTON DISTRICT.—Brookville, $9.25; Dayton: Broadway, $30.15; Jewels, $7; Circle, $10.48; Grace, $61.50; Jewels, $6.25; Roper, $68.30; Jewels, $2.70; Circle, $21; St. Paul, $28.75; Jewels, $1.30; Circle, $5; Eaton, $34; Miamisburg, $26; Middletown, $39.15; Jewels, 40 cents; Circle, $6 25; Oxford, $14; Springboro, $16.50. Total, $387.98.

GEORGETOWN DISTRICT.—Centenary, $1; Milford, $11; Ripley, $1; Williamsburg, $1. Total. $14.

HILLSBORO DISTRICT.—Greenfield, $20.95; Jewels, $1.10; Hillsboro, $37.50; Felicity, $2.40; Leesburg, $4.25; Xenia: First Church, $30.75; Trinity, $38. Total, $134.95.

SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.—Mechanicsburg, $15; Piqua: Greene Street, $92; South Charleston, $7.25; Jewels, $5; Springfield: Central, $45.50; Jewels, 60 cents; Grace, $13; High Street, $68; Jewels, $8.70; Circle, $8; St. Paul, $36.35; Jewels, $1.10; Troy: Mulberry Street, $60.92: Jewels, $6.30; Urbana: First Church, $27; Band, $4; Grace, $29.95; Yellow Springs, $15.80; Book Rooms, 50 cents. Total, $444.97.

Leaflets, $5.25. Total, $5.25.

Advertisements.—In Annual Report, $10; Voucher, $107. Total, $117.

Total General Fund, ... $1,704.94.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency.*—Cincinnati: Avondale, $15; Christie, Band, $5; Cumminsville, $5; Glenn Home, $5; Band, $5; Mt. Auburn, $5; Mt. Lookout, $20; Norwood: Grace, $23; St. Paul, Band, $5; Trinity, $26; Walnut Hills, $45; Winton Place, $10; Band, $5; Mrs. S. R. McDaniel, $5; Dayton: Grace, $36.25; Raper, $43; Circle, $5; St. Paul, $15: Greenfield, $9; Epworth League, $5: Hartwell, $25; Band, $2.10; Hillsboro, $25; Leesburg, $8; Linwood, $3; Miamisburg, $18; Middletown: Broadway, $5; Oxford, $4.75; Mechanicsburg, $2.50; Piqua: Greene Street, $10; Grace, $4; Springfield: Central, $5; High Street, $21.50; Band, $8.50; St. Paul, $11; Troy: Mulberry Street, $27.75; Urbana: First Church, $19; Grace, $12.60; Xenia: First Church, $11; Circle, $5; Trinity, $30; Yellow Springs, $5; Brookville Epworth League, $5; Conference pledge, $18.40. Total, $579.35.

Missionary's Salary, Jewett, N. M.—Yellow Springs, $1. Total, $1.

Oriental Work.—Yellow Springs, $1.50. Total, $1.50.

Utah.—Yellow Springs, $1. Total, $1.

Total for Salaries, ... $3.50.
Total Special General Fund, ... 582.85.

Beneficiary Funds.—*Bennett Home.*—Dayton: Broadway, Circle, $10. Total, $10.

Emerson Home.—Cincinnati: Avondale, voucher, $25; Mt. Auburn, voucher, $20. Total, $45.

Haven Home.—Cincinnati: Walnut Hills, Band, $18.50. Total, $18.50.

Jesse Lee Home.—Cincinnati: Walnut Hills, Circle, for Olga Brown, $50. Total, $50.

Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—Conference pledge, $36.95. Total, $36.95.

Oriental Work.—Conference Pledge, $18.45. Total, $18.45.

Simpson Home.—Dayton: Broadway, Circle, $5; Raper: Etta Holderness, $25; Circle, $5; Piqua: Greene Street, $10; Troy: Mulberry Street, $10. Total, $55.

Stickney Home.—Winton Place, Band, $25; Conference pledge, $5.95. Total, $30.75.

Thayer Home.—Dayton: Broadway, Circle, $7. Total, $7.

Watts de Peyster.—Oxford, $5. Total, $5.

Total Beneficiary Funds, ... $276.85.

Special Funds.—*Asheville.*—Cincinnati: St. Paul, $10; Dayton: Broadway, $3; Oxford, $2; Conference pledge, $36.95; Walnut Hills, $5; Yellow Springs, $1. Total, $57.95.

Glenn Home.—Mite-boxes, $132.45; $1,023.25; vouchers. Total, $1,155.70.

Mary Haven Home.—Avondale, voucher, $9.70; Walnut Hills, $2; Springfield: High Street, $1.60; Conference collections, $6.30. Total, $19.60.
Jewett, N. M.—Conference pledge, $12.50. Total, $12.50.
Rust Hall.—Cincinnati: Walnut Hills, Circle, to name a window, $10; Dayton: Broadway, $10; Ella F. Congdon, $10; Middletown, $5. Total, $35.
Simpson Home, Attic Fund.—Dayton: Broadway, $5; St. Paul, $5; Circle, $5; Grace, $15; Springfield: Central, Circle, $5; Urbana: First Church, $10; Band, $10. Total, $55.

Total Special Fund, ... $1,335.75.
Grand total, ... 3,900.39.

Colorado Conference.

MRS. D. K. LEE, Treasurer, 1763 William Street, Denver, Colorado.

General Fund.—DENVER DISTRICT.—Denver: Asbury, $25.14; Jewels, 30 cents; Cameron Memorial, Jewels, $1.65; Christ Church, $29.25; Jewels, $5.16; Fifth Avenue, $15.50; Grant Avenue, $6.20; Jewels, $3; Grace, $7; Littleton, $3.90; St. James, $12.10; Simpson, $8.75; Jewels, $2.20; Trinity, $35; Jewels, $1.60; University Park, $12.75; Wheat Ridge, $19. Total, $188.50.
GREELEY DISTRICT.—Greeley, $16.50; Sterling, $15; Jewels, $2.30; Georgetown: Jewels, $6. Total, $39.80.
PUEBLO DISTRICT.—Bald Mountain, $3.60; Colorado Springs, $22.75; Colorado City, $6.42; Florence, $20; Pueblo: Broadway, $44.75; First Church, $14; Silver Plume, Jewels, $1. Total, $112.52.
RIO GRANDE DISTRICT.—Canon City, $13.35; Monta Vista, $6.75. Total, $20.10.
SALIDA DISTRICT,—Delta, $7.25. Total, $7.25
By Voucher.—Conference Organizer, $5; Frontier Work, $7.50.

Total to General Fund, ... $380.67.
Of above amount, $182.81 received by voucher.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.*—Pueblo: Broadway, $10; First Church, $5. Total, $15.

Total Special General Fund, ... $15.

Beneficiary Fund.—*To Harwood Home.*—Canon City, $20.75. Total, $20.75.
Mother's Jewels Home.—By voucher, $5.20. Total, $5.20.
Jesse Lee Home.—Pueblo: Broadway, $50. Total, $50.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $75.95.

Special Fund.—*Local Deaconess Work.*—Denver, by voucher, $716.78.
Frontier Work.—By voucher, $71.
Dulce.—By voucher, $15.

Total to Special Fund, ... $802.78.
Grand total, ... 1,274.40.

Columbia River Conference.

MRS. E. M. WOOD, Treasurer, The Dalles, Oregon.

General Fund.—Ft. Simcoe Indian Women through Mrs. E. C. Miller, $10; Conference Gleanings, $57; Milton, $11.75; Moscow: Idaho, $13; Pendleton, $8.75; Paco, $1.25; Walla Walla, $5.75; Rev. E. M. Word, 25 cents.

Total General Fund, ... $107.75.
Grand Total, ... 107.75.

Des Moines Conference.

MRS. E. M. HOLMES, Treasurer, Boone, Ia.

General Fund.—BOONE DISTRICT.—Carroll, $23; Dallas: Center, $12.25; Bethel Church, $9.50; Mite-box, $5.36; Dana, $5.75; Grand Junction, $12.58; Mite-box, $5.30; Jefferson, $14.50. Total, $88.24.
COUNCIL BLUFFS DISTRICT.—Missouri Valley, $2. Total, $2.
CRESTON DISTRICT.—Elliott, $16.20. Total, $16.20.
DES MOINES DISTRICT.—Des Moines: Capital Park Church, $6; First Church, $11.50; Grace Church, $11.52; Wesley Church, $6.20. Total, $35.22.
Mite-boxes, $2.50. Total, $2.50.
Conference Collections, $13.05. Total, $13.05.
Conference Members, $5. Total, $5.
Total General Fund, ... $162.21.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.*—Carroll, $17; Dallas Center: Bethel Church, $6.08; Grand Junction, $10; Jefferson, $4. Total, $37.08.
Total Special General Fnnd, ... $37.08.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Oriental Work, San Francisco.*—Des Moines: First Church, $1; Wesley Church, $2.55. Total, $3 55.
Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $3.55.

Special Fund.—**Deaconess Home.*—Des Moines: Vouchers, $193.22. Total, $193.22.
Jesse Lee Home.—Des Moines: First Church, $25. Total, $25.
Mothers' Jewels Home.—Dallas Center, $10. Total, $10.
Rust Hall.—Des Moines: Grace, $1; Prospect Park, $1. Total, $2.
Total Special Fund, ... $230.22.
Grand total, ... 433.06.

Detroit Conference.

MRS. C. H. MORGAN, Treasurer, Vassar, Mich.

General Fund.—REPORTED BY DISTRICTS.—Adrian, $446.78; Bay City, $331.75; Detroit, $621.77; Southfield, $2; Flint, $381.10; Lake Superior, $67.80; Port Huron, $137.45; Saginaw, $205.87; Mothers' Jewels, $34.04. Total, $2,228.56.
Of the above amount, $1,092.43 received by voucher, for Deaconess Work.
Frontier Work by voucher, $257.76.
Total General Fund, ... $2,486.32.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.*—Bay City: Madison Avenue, $5; Clinton, $12; Detroit: Central, $20; Grace, $5; Gift, $3.00; Flushing, $1; Fowlerville, $2; Flint: Garland Street, $5; Court Street, $16; Grand Blanc, $1; Gift, $1; Hudson, $10; Sennon, 50 cents; Marquette, $5; Marine City, $5; Port Huron, $5; Palmer, $5; Rollin Center, $12.50; Romeo, $1; Owosso: First Church, $5; Scofield, $3; Stockbridge, $10; Vernon, $1; Woodward, $5.
Total Emergency Fund, ... $139.

*See Note, page 121.

Missionaries' Salaries, Navajo Indians.—Ypsilanti, $1.60; Scofield, $1; Rollin Center, $1.25; Prospect Hill, 90 cents; Hudson, $1; Clayton, 90 cents; Sharon, $1. Total, $7.65.

Total Special General Fund, ... $146.65.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Watts de Peyster Home.*—Mrs. W. B. Pope, $5. Total, $5.

Oriental Work.—Birmingham, 50 cents; Detroit: Arnold, 25 cents; Campbell, 50 cents; Cass Avenue, $2; Central, $5; Grace, $1; Lincoln Avenue, $1; Simpson, $3; Tabernacle, 50 cents; Preston, $1; Palmer, $1; Plymouth, 25 cents; Portius, $1; Wayne, 25 cents; West Bloomfield, $1. Total, $18.25.

King Home.—Flint: Court Street, $3; Fowlerville, $2.50; Flushing, $1; Gaines, $1.25; Howell, $1; Milford, $18.50. Total, $27.25.

Mothers' Jewels Home.—Detroit: Lincoln Avenue, $5; Junior Epworth League through Walter C. Smith, Treasurer, $25. Total, $30.

Ritter Home.—Detroit: Cass Avenue, $40. Total, $40.

Lucy Webb Hayes Home.—Marquette, $14; Milford, $20; Howell, $15.61.

Of above amount of cash $37.81 sent Treasurer, $11.80 retained as expense of Mrs. Bliss, organizer. Received by voucher, $26.10. Total, $63.91.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $184.41.

Special Fund.—*Asheville.*—Bay City: Madison Avenue, $10; For Furnishing, $5; Fremont Avenue, $3; Flint: Court Street, $3.25; Voucher, $5; Ann Arbor District, by Voucher, $3; Howell, $2; Grayling, $1.50; Port Huron: Lapeer Avenue, $2; Detroit: Arnold by Voucher, $1; Saginaw: Michigan Avenue, Voucher, $5; Simpson Church, $10; Simpson, by Voucher, $5; Tabernacle, by Voucher, $4.10; Central, by Voucher, $20. Total, $74.95.

Rust Hall.—Arnold, 50 cents; Preston, $2; Pontiac, $2; Tecumseh, $2. Total, $6.50.

Jewett.—Tecumseh, $3; Morenci, 25 cents. Total, $3.25.

E. L. Rust Home.—Clayton, 40 cents; Hudson, 75 cents; Prospect, 40 cents; Rollin Center, 75 cents; Stockbridge, 50 cents; Sharon, 30 cents; Ypsilanti, 90 cents. Total, $4.

Jesse Lee Home.—Owosso, $5. Total, $5.

Lucy Webb Hayes Home.—90 cents. Total, 90 cents.

Frontier Work.—By Voucher, $1,913.45. $1,913.45.

**Deaconess Home, Detroit.*—By Voucher, $1,662.89. Total, $1,662.89.

Loan Library.—By Voucher, $101.40. Total, $101.40.

Tillman Avenue Mission.—By Voucher, $66. Total, $66.

Bancroft Rest Home.—By Voucher, $13. Total, $13.

Total Special Fund, ... $3,851.24.
Grand total, ... 6,668.62.

East Maine Conference.

MRS. HARRY STETSON, Kingman, Maine.

General Fund.—Dues, without special credit, $7; Anna Beiler, voucher, $10.

Total General Fund, ... $17.

*See Note, page 121.

Special General Fund.—Without special credit, $5.

Total Special General Fund, ... $5.

Special Fund.—*Alaska.*—Without special credit, $32; for Hospital, $13.

Total Special Fund, ... $45.
Grand total, ... 67.

East Ohio Conference.

MISS LYDIA E. DEAL, Treasurer, Dexter City, O.

General Fund.—AKRON DISTRICT.—Akron: First Church, $134.65; South Main Street, $5; Atwater, $3.50; Jewels, $7.10; Bedford, 12.10; Bristolville, $15.25; Randolph, $4; Circle, $5; Rootstown, $3.50; Warren, $54.50; Circle, $16; Windom, $2.50. Total, $263.10.

BARNESVILLE DISTRICT.—Barnesville, $26.50; Bellaire, $4.60. Total, $31.10.

CAMBRIDGE DISTRICT.—Cambridge, $29.25; Circle, $6.50; Band, $7.75; Dexter City, $11.50; McConnellsville, $17.75. Total, $72.75.

CANTON DISTRICT.—Alliance, $30; Canton: First Church, $49.25; Circle, $7.85; Massillon, $22.50; Salem, $15.25. Total, $130.85.

CLEVELAND DISTRICT.—Cleveland: Asbury, $18; Broadway, $5; Epworth Memorial, $60; Euclid Avenue, $30; Fairmount, $14; First Church, $44; Scoville Avenue, $39.60; Wade Park, $20.50; Wilson Avenue, $23; Woodland, $14.95; Geneva: First Church, $33.75; Second Church, $4; Little Mountain, $5; Circle, $1; Mayfield, $8; Mentor, $17; Painesville, $28; Perry, $22.50; Saybrook, $2; Thompson, $11. Total, $401.30.

NEW PHILADELPHIA DISTRICT.—Coshocton, $19; Uhrichsville, $9. Total, $28.

STRUBENVILLE DISTRICT.—East Liverpool, $43.75; Jewels, $3.05; Martin's Ferry, $47.60; Mingo Junction, $43.85; Jewels, $2.20; Steubenville: First Church, $14.50; Hamline, $25; Wellsville, $33. Total, $213.45.

YOUNGSTOWN DISTRICT.—Ashtabula, $29.60; Circle, $2.50; Clark's Corners, $9.65; Circle, 74 cents; Conneaut, $16.55; Circle, $3.45; Jewels, $2; Cortland, $23.25; Dorset, $13.50. Greensburg, 24.25; Gustavus, $9.50; Jefferson, $22; Johnsonville, $2; Kingsville, $13.30; Mesopotamia, $5; Randolph, $4; Circle, $6; West Mecca, $9; Wayne, 50 cents. Total, $196.79.

Leaflet, 50 cents.
Mite-box, $81.22.
Mothers' Jewels, $22.75.
Thank Offering, $6. Total, $110.47.

Total General Fund, ... $1,447.81.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency.*—Akron: First Church, $20; Ashtabula: Circle, $6.80; Canton: Mite-boxes,* $40; Cambridge, $12; Cleveland, First Church, $65; Broadway, $3.81; Epworth Memorial, $30.75; Euclid Avenue, $25.45; Fairmount, $8; Conneaut, $5; Cortland, $6.86; Dexter City, $10; Dorset, $3; East Liverpool, $51.39; Geneva: First Church, $2.55; Kingsville, $5; Mentor, $5; Martin's Ferry, $13.35; North Bloomfield, $2; Painesville, $4.16; Perry, $7.25; Salem, $16.25; Steubenville: First Church, $7; Hamline, $1.70; Warren, $10; Wellsville, $38,50. Total, $400.82.

Missionary's Salary.—Cambridge: Circle, $21.60; Cleveland: Wilson Avenue, $6.05; Fairmount, $5; Kingsville, $4; To A. M. Smith Home,

* It was subsequently requested that this should be paid on Miss Gibson's salary, and it was so paid.

Cleveland: First Church, $40: Miss Gibson, Canton: First Church, $40; East Liverpool, $10. Total, $126.65.

Total Special General Fund, ... $527.47.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Adeline Smith Home.*—Alliance, $20; Cleveland: Broadway Young Ladies, $20; Dexter City: Voucher, $10; East Liverpool, $5; Massillon, $20; Steubenville: Hamline, Church, $10. Total, $85.*

Asheville.—Akron District, $7.50; Akron: First Church, $15; Bristolville, $2.50; Cambridge, $15. Total, $40.

Harwood Home.—Conneaut, $4; East Liverpool, $13.35; Kingsville, $3; Gustavus, $1; Lisbon, $16; Martin's Ferry, $10.45; Mingo Junction, $10.04; Steubenville: First Church, $5: Hamline, $12.18; Wellsville, $4.52. Total, $79.54.

Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—Cleveland: First Church, $5; Wilson Avenue, $6.80; Painesville, $2.50; Vouchers, $100. Total, $114.30.

Mothers' Jewels Home.—East Liverpool, $4.80. Total, $4.80.

Peck Home.—Conneaut: Voucher, $6. Total, $6.

Ritter Home.—Cleveland; Wade Park, $5; Missionary Band, $20; East Liverpool, $10; Warren, $35. Total, $70.

Stickney Home.—Akron: First Church, $39.04; Salem, $30. Total, $69.04.

Home Not Named.—Salem, $5.25; Conference, $21.25. Total, $26.50.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $495.18.

Special Funds.—*A. M. Smith.*—Cleveland: First Church, $25. Total, $25.

† *Cleveland Deaconess Home.*—Cleveland: Broadway, $8.01; Mingo Junction, $6; Conference Vouchers, $990.26. Total, $1,004.27.

Mothers' Jewels Home.—Cleveland: Epworth Sunday-school, $10 Total, $10.

Rust Hall.—Fairmount, $5; Geneva: First Church, $5. Total, $10.

Speedwell.—Akron: First Church, $7; Cleveland: Epworth Voucher, $1. Total, $8.

Total Special Funds, ... $1,057.27.
Grand total, ... 3,527.73.

East Tennessee Conference.

MRS. CORA PROVINE, Treasurer, Bristol, Tenn.

General Fund.—BRISTOL DISTRICT.—Chilhowee, 50 cents; Lee Street, $16; Glade Spring, $2.50, Greenville, 25 cents; Rural Retreat, $9.50. Total, $28.75.

KNOXVILLE DISTRICT.—Bethel, $5; Boyd, $3; Mite-box, $2.60. Total, $10.60.

WYTHEVILLE DISTRICT.—Christianburg, $10.35; Ingham Chapel, $2; Mt. Pleasant, $4.50; Juvenile Band, $1; New River, $10; Neadmore, $3; Radford, $5; Tiptop Circle, 50 cents; Wytheville: Randolph Street, $23; Circle, $2.50; without special credit, $1. Total, $61.85.

Total to General Fund, ... $102.20.
Grand total, ... 102.20.

* Error in Conference Report, 92 cents.
† See Note, page 121.

Erie Conference.

MRS. F. H. BECK, Treasurer, Mayville, N. Y.

General Fund.—CLARION DISTRICT.—Big Run, $1; Brookville, $20.85; Clarion, $29.75; Mothers' Jewels, $2.80; East Brady, $15.50; Mothers' Jewels, $6.70; New Bethlehem, $1; Punxsutawney District Members, $11.25; Reynoldsville, $2; Riemersburg, $2. Total, $92.85.

ERIE DISTRICT.—Brocton, $20; Chautauqua, $4.50; East Springfield, $5.50; Erie: First Church, $55; Simpson Church, $21.35; Tenth Street, $10.70; Forrestville, $4; Fredonia, $30.25; Circle, $3.25; Lockport, $1; Maysville, $8.75; Miles Grove, $2; Northeast, $33; Portland, $15; Mothers' Jewels, 10 cents; Silver Creek, $28.25; Sheridan District Members, $1; Stockton, $1; Westfield, $7. Total, $251.65.

FRANKLIN DISTRICT.—Chicora, $12; Clintonville, $1; Emberton, $4.25; Franklin, $52.65; Oil City: Grace Church, $85.75; Jewels, $1; Trinity Church, $28; Petrolia, $24.10; Tidioute, $14.25; Fionesta, $16; Circle, $4.55; Titusville, $33.75; Circle, $3.63. Total, $280.93.

JAMESTOWN DISTRICT.—Ashville, $6.50; Bemis Point, 50 cents; Busti, $1; Mother's Jewels, 10 cents; Cattaraugus, $8; Columbus, $2; Corry, $28.80; Mothers' Jewels, 80 cents; East Randolph, $8.50; Hamlet, $2; Jamestown, $84; Circle, $9; Mothers' Jewels, $3.35; Kane, $27; Mt. Jewett, $1; Panama, $15.25; Warren: First Church, $50.50. Total, $248.30.

MEADVILLE DISTRICT.—Cambridge Spring, $22; Cochranton, $1; Conneautville, $14.95; Dicksonburg, $4; Espyville, $4.95; Greenville, $45; Meadville: First Church, $32.50; Jewels, $1.50; Mill Village, $12.95; Saegertown, $1; Union City, $28; Woodcock, $16. Total, $183.85.

NEW CASTLE DISTRICT.—Balm, $8.50; Fredonia, $1.75; Grove City, $25.75; Hillsville, $15.40; Mt. Pleasant, $2.75; New Castle: First Church, $31.85; District Members, $2; Epworth Church, $2; New Wilmington, $1. Total, $91.

Mite-boxes, $40.23. Total, $40.23.

Interest on Barbour Bequest, $9. Total, $9.

Leaflet, 50 cents. Total, 50 cents.

Total General Fund, ... $1,198.31.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.*—Chautauqua, $5; Clarion, $5; Erie: First Church, $15; Grove City, $11; Meadville: First Church, $5; New Castle: First Church, $6; Oil City: Trinity Church, $15.09; Pageville, $8; Petrolia, $3; Sheridan, $5; Simpson, $10; Warren, $13.41; Mite-boxes, $11.08. Total, $112.58.

Teachers' Salary.—Haven Home: Brocton, $10; Brookville, $4; Cambridge, $8; Chautauqua, $4; Clarion, $10; Conneautville, $4; Corry, $5; East Brady, $6; Erie: First Church, $20; Tenth Street, 25 cents; Franklin, $12; Fredonia, $17.25; Greenville, $15; Jamestown, $20; Kane, $10; Mayville, $3; Meadville, $19; Northeast, $20; Oil City: Grace, $15; Trinity Church, $18.91; Pageville, $8; Panama, $5; Petrolia, $4; Portland, $4; Silver Creek, $8; Tidioute, $3; Tionesta, $4.50; Titusville, $12; Union City, $8; Warren Circle, $16.01; Voucher, $16.84. Total, $310.76.

Total Special General Fund, ... $423.34.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Boylan Home.*—East Grove: Polk Church, Epworth League, voucher, $14.50. Total, $14.50.

Mothers' Jewels.—Grove City, $3; Hillsville, $5; Nazareth, $5; Oil City: Trinity Church, $50. Total, $63.

Jesse Lee Home.—Warren, $50. Total, $50.

Oriental Work, San Francisco.—Meadville: First Church, $10. Total, $10.

Ritter Home.—Jamestown Circle, $40. Total, $40.
Stickney Home.—Balm, $4; Fredonia, $5; Grove City, $5; Kane, $4; Mt. Pleasant, $2.50; New Castle: First Church, $17; Oil City: Trinity Church, $10; Tidioute, $15. Total, $62.50.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $240.

Special Fund.—*Alaska.*—Warren Circle, $10. Total, $10.
Asheville.—Brookville, $6; Conneautville, $4. Total, $10.
Dulce.—Silver Creek, $2. Total, $2.
Jesse Lee.—Chicora, $15.60; Warren, $10.14. Total, $25.74.
Mothers' Jewels.—Corry Circle, $2. Total, $2.
Rust Hall.—Chatauqua, $20; Corry $1; Erie: Simpson Church, $1; Meadville: First Church, $2; Warren, $1; Westfield Epworth League, $5. Total, $30.

Total Special Fund, ... $79.74.
Grand Total, ... 1,941.39.

Florida Conference.

MRS. W. J. SALMOND, Treasurer, Jacksonville, Fla.

General Fund.—JACKSONVILLE DISTRICT.—Jacksonville: Simpson Chapel, $3.20; Boylan Home, $1.50; St. Augustine, $15; Wrightsville, $8 90. Total, $28.60.
PALATKA DISTRICT.—Citra, $3; Key West, $4.05; Ocala, $11.85; Santos, $1. Total, $19.90.
JONESVILLE DISTRICT.—Jonesville, 75 cents. Total, 75 cents.

Total General Fund, ... $49.25.
Grand Total, ... 49.25.

Genesee Conference.

MRS. C. E. MILLSPAUGH, Treasurer, Albion, N. Y.

General Fund.—BUFFALO DISTRICT.—Buffalo: Asbury, $42; Central Park, $10: Delaware Avenue, $43; Jewels, $1; Young Ladies, $30; Grace, Circle, $3; Hampshire Street, $15.30; Kenmore, $11; Linwood Avenue, $55.60; Circle, $5.84; Jewels, $1.70; Ontario Street. $14.91; Plymouth, $53.50; Jewels, $2.61; Richmond Avenue, $46.50; Circle, $10; Jewels, $1.20; Riverside, $36.50; St. Mark's, $14; Circle, $9.45; Sentinel, $13.25; North Tonawanda, $19.05. Total, $439.41.
CORNING DISTRICT.—Addison, $10.30; Bath, $16.50; Jewels, $2.50; Canisteo, $18.25; Corning, $54.95; Jewels, $6; Hornellsville: Park Church, $39; Wellsboro, $16.18 Woodhull, $6.50. Total, $170.18.
GENESEE DISTRICT.—Batavia, $50; Danville, $16; Geneseo, $35.50; Nunda, $7.50; Perry, $18.80; Scottsville, Circle, $3.60; Silver Spring, $16.25; Warsaw, $10.25. Total, $157.90.
NIAGARA DISTRICT.—Albion, $19.05; Barre, $9; Brockport, $22.75; Holley, $8.50; Lockport: First Church, $14; Lyndonsville, $2.50; Middleport, Circle, $2.50: Royalton, $4.50; Spencerport, $6. Total, $88.80.
OLEAN DISTRICT.- Bradford, $21.03; Olean: First Church, $18.30; Pleasant Valley, $14.75; Portville, $10.25; Ulysses, $1.10; Wellsville, $16.50. Total, $81.93.
ROCHESTER DISTRICT.—Honeoye Falls, $28; Lima, $24; Livonia, $8; Rochester: Asbury, $60; Mission, $2.25; Jewels, 20 cents; Cornhill, $49.25; Jewels, 95 cents; Epworth, $33; First Church, $43.75; Frank Street, $53;

Jewels, $10; Band, $6; Glenwood, $35.50; Monroe Avenue, $29; North Avenue, $24; Walworth, $16.50; Conference gleanings, $13. Total, $436.40.
Mite-boxes, $12.01. Total, $12.01.
Total General Fund, ... $1,386.63.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.*—Albion, $3.25; Buffalo: Asbury, $5; Delaware Avenue, $75; Young Ladies, $15; Linwood Avenue, $5; Richmond Avenue, $5; St. Mark's, $5; Canisteo, $5; Curtis Hollow, $2.50; Hornellsville: Park Avenue, $5.25; Lockport: First Church, $6; Olean, $11.10; Perry, $3.70; Pleasant Valley, $5.80; Rochester: Asbury, $25; Cornhill, $5; First Church, $15; Frank Street, $15; Glenwood, $10. Total, $222.60.
Teacher's Salary.—Rochester: Epworth, $5. Total, $5.
Total Special General Fund, ... $227.60.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Asheville.*—Canisteo, $15. Total, $15.
Browning Home.—Silver Spring, $12.87. Total, $12.87.
Harwood Home.—Rochester: Asbury, $50. Total, $50.
Jesse Lee Home.—Canisteo, $5; Honeoye Falls, $25; Lima, $25; Rochester: Epworth, $28. Total, $83.
Oriental Work, San Francisco.—Rochester: Cornhill, $2. Total, $2.
Stickney Home.—Bath, $10; Corning, $17. Total, $27.
Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $189.87.

Special Fund.—*Asheville.*—Hornellsville: Park, $9.50; Lima, $5; Olean: Pleasant Valley, $22; Rochester: Epworth, $5; First Church, $5; Frank Street, $5; Glenwood, $5. Total, $56.50.
Deaconess Home.—Buffalo, vouchers, $752.74. Total, $754.74.
Jesse Lee Home.—Buffalo: Asbury, $3.04; Geneseo, $20. Total, $23.04.
Jewett Home.—Hornellsville: Park, $10. Total, $10.
Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—Hornellsville: Park, $2. Total, $2.
Mary Haven Home.—Rochester: First Church, $1; Monroe Avenue, $1. Total, $2.
Rest Home.—Buffalo: Asbury, $5; Olean: Pleasant Valley, $2; Plymouth, $2; Portville, $2; Rochester: Cornhill, $2; Epworth, $2; First Church, $2; Frank Street, $2; Richmond, $1; Voucher, $5. Total, $25.
Rust Hall.—Buffalo: Asbury, $5; Richland Avenue, $5; Rochester: Frank Street, $2; Monroe Avenue, $5. Total, $17.
Total Special Fund, ... $888.28.
Grand total, ... 2,692.38.

Holston Conference.

MRS. ALTA A. HEAP, Treasurer, Knoxville, Tenn.

General Fund.—ATHENS DISTRICT.—Athens: Young Ladies' Circle, $36. Total, $36.
KNOXVILLE DISTRICT.—Knoxville, $10; Band, $7; First Church, $4.50; Voucher, $4.50; Sale baking powder, $6; Art display, $9.01; Mite-box, $1.32; Dues, $11.31. Total, $53.54.
Total to General Fund, ... $89.64.

Emergency Fund.—Athens: Ritter Home Missionary Society, $30.
Total to Emergency Fund, ... $30.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Ritter Home.*—Conference and other gifts, $11.
Total to Beneficiary Fund, ... $11.00.
Grand total, ... 130.64.

Illinois Conference.

MRS. SARAH E. KING, Treasurer, 719 North Main Street, Decatur, Ill.

General Fund. — BLOOMINGTON DISTRICT. — Bloomington: First Church, $51.65; Mite-boxes, $1.04; Grace, $29; Green Valley, $4.45; Leroy, $7; Lincoln, $17; Saybrook, $12.25. Total, $122.39.

CHAMPAIGN DISTRICT.—Belle Flower, $2.50; Champaign, $26.66; Farmer City, $11; Fithian, $6.85; Fisher, $11; Mahomet, $3.85; Savoy, $11; Tuscola, $7.50; Urbana, $24.10. Total, $104.46.

DANVILLE DISTRICT.—Danville: First Church, $34; Rossville, $10.25; Sidney, $13. Total, $57.25.

DECATUR DISTRICT.—Decatur: First Church, $46.25; Grace, $39.75. Total, $86.

JACKSONVILLE DISTRICT.—Chandlerville, $4; Jacksonville: Grace, $54; Band, $4.25; Centenary, $27.60; Greenfield, $18; Manchester, $7.60; Mason City, $6; Kinderhook, $1.90; W. Jacksonville, $6.70. Total, $130.05.

MATTOON DISTRICT.—Carrollton, $14.90; Paris: North Avenue, $6.75. Total, $21.65.

SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.—Carlinville, $58; Young Ladies, $2; Taylorville, $6.25; Springfield: First Church, $69.85; Second Church, $26.50; Circle, $11. Total, $173.60.

Total General Fund, . . $695.40 ($2.81 excess of cash received).

Special General Fund.—*Emergency.*—Bloomington First Church, $15.61; Grace, $14.40; Leroy, $13.25; Lincoln, $13.55; Saybrook, $2.50; Springfield: First Church, $7.80; Second Church, $10; Mrs. S. F. Rigg, $5; Mrs. Follick, $2.50. Total, $84.61.

Teacher's Salary.—Jacksonville: Centenary, $6; Springfield: Second Church, $5. Total, $11.

Harwood Home.—Champaign: First Church, $5; Decatur: First Church, $5; Grace, $5; Jacksonville: Centenary, $5. Total, $20.

Immigrant Home, New York.—Bloomington, First Church, $10; Grace, $5; Champaign: First Church, $15; Decatur: First Church, $10; Grace Church, $10; Jacksonville: Grace, $5; Lincoln, $3; Saybrook, $5.75; Savoy, $3.54; Sidney, $2.50; Springfield, $10. Total, $79.79.

Italian Work.—Bloomington: First Church, $5. Total, $5.

Las Vegas.—Champaign: First Church, $5; Decatur: Grace, $5. Total, $10.

Oriental Work, San Francisco.—Decatur: First Church, $5. Total, $5.

Jewett.—Jacksonville: First Church, Circle, $5. Total, $5.

Utah.—Decatur: First Church, $5; Jacksonville: Centenary, $5. Total, $10.

Total Teacher's Salary, ... $145.79.
Total Special General Fund, ... 230.40.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Alaska.*—Decatur: Grace, $5; Jacksonville: Grace, $5. Total, $10.

Bennett Home.—Decatur: Grace, $10. Total, $10.

Harwood Home.—Bloomington: First Church, $5; Danville: First Church, $15.10; Jacksonville: Centenary, $5; Lincoln, $5; Springfield: First Church, $10. Total, $40.10.

Oriental Work, San Francisco.—Bloomington: First Church, $5; Decatur: Grace, $5; Jacksonville: Grace, $5; Quincy: Juniors, $2.25; Lincoln, $5; Springfield: First Church, $10. Total, $32.25.

Stickney Home.—Jacksonville: Grace, $5. Total, $5.

Utah.—Jacksonville: Centenary, $4.05; Grace, $5; Springfield: First Church, $10. Total, $19.05.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $116.40.

Special Funds.—*Alaska.*—Bloomington: First Church, $5; Champaign: First Church, $10; Decatur: First Church, $10; Grace, $5; Jacksonville: Centenary, $5; Springfield: First Church, $5; Savoy, 66 cents. Total, $40.66.

Deaconess Home.—Urbana, vouchers, $389.22. Total, $389.22.

Marcy Home.—Bloomington: First Church, $15; Champaign: First Church, $10; Decatur: First Church, $15; Jacksonville: Grace, $5; Savoy, $4; ——, $2.50; Springfield: First Church, $10. Total, $61.50.

Rust Hall.—Carlinville, $6. Total, $6.

Total Special Fund, ... $498.38.
Grand total, ... 1,540.58.

Indiana Conference.

MRS. CLARA S. CHAFEE, Treasurer, Greencastle, Ind.

General Fund.—CONNERSVILLE DISTRICT.—Brookville, $24.25; College Corner, $20.95; Connersville, $91; Morristown, $2.20; Robinson Chapel, $17.75; Rushville, $23.75; Shelbyville: First Church, $17; Jewels, $2.40; Band, $7.57; West Street, $10.25; Circle, $2.95; Jewels, $1.10. Total, $221.17.

INDIANAPOLIS DISTRICT.—Broad Ripple, $1.85; Franklin, $19; Greenwood, $10.75; Indianapolis: Blackford Street, $1; California Street, $2.25; Central Avenue, $82.25; Jewels, $3.30; Band, $3.20; Edwin Ray, $27.25; Jewels, $3; Grace Church, $5; Hall Place, $84.75; Jewels, $3.20; Lincoln Avenue, $9; Roberts Park, $68.50; Jewels, $1.50; Mite-boxes, $2.48; Mooresville, $26.75; Shelbyville: First Church, $25; Circle, $3.70; West Street, $10.85; Circle, $2.25. Total, $396.83.

JEFFERSONVILLE DISTRICT.—Franklin, $14.75; Seymour, $20.30. Total, $35.05.

MOORE'S HILL DISTRICT.—Aurora, $15.50; Greensburg: First Church, $41.65; Juniors, 90 cents; Band, 85 cents; Jewels, $1.25; Lawrenceburg, $27.25; Rising Sun, $19.25; Vevay, $6.50. Total, $113.15.

NEW ALBANY DISTRICT.—New Albany, Young Ladies, $1.35. Total, $1.35.

Mite-boxes, $22.19; *Conference gatherings*, $10. Total, $32.19.

Leaflet Fund, $2. Total, $2.

Total General Fund, ... $801.74.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency.*—Brookville, $18.55; Connersville, $25; Franklin, $5; Greensburg, First Church, $5; Indianapolis: Central Avenue, $10; Hall Place, $10; Rising Sun, $4.50; Rushville, $4.67; Seymour, $11.50; Shelbyville, $10. Total, $104.22.

Teacher's Salary, to Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—College Corner, $2; Connersville, $5; Indianapolis: Hall Place, $5. Total, $12.

Total Special General Fund, ... $116.22.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Alaska.*—Connersville, $1; Franklin, $1; Greensburg, $1; Indianapolis: Hall Place, $1; Lawrenceburg, $1; Mooresville, $1. Total, $6.

Allen Home.—Connersville, $35.50; Wayside Workers, $14. Total, $49.50.

Bennett Home.—Indianapolis: Roberts Park, $40. Total, $40.

Jesse Lee Home.—Connersville, $5; Greensburg, $11 Indianapolis: Central Avenue, $1; Edwin Ray, $1. Total, $18.

Oriental Work, San Francisco.—Connersville, $5; Greensburg, $2.20; Indianapolis; Central Avenue, $1; Edwin Ray, $6; Hall Place, $1. Total, $15.20.

Ritter Home.—Indianapolis: Roberts Park, $30. Total, $30.

Simpson Home.—Shelbyville: First Church, voucher, $5; from Ep-

worth Leagues, Aurora, $1; College Corner, $1; Greencastle, $1; Madison, $1; Shelbyville: First Church, $1. Total, $10.

Stickney Home.—Indianapolis: Edwin Ray, $1; Shelbyville, $1. Total, $2.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $170.70.

Special Fund.—*Allen Home.*—Aurora, $5; Connersville, $25.25; Franklin, $10; Greensburg, $25; Indianapolis: Central Avenue, $50; Edwin Ray, $20; Hall Place, $35; Roberts Park, $30; Mooresville, $25; Shelbyville: First Church, $47.20; West Street, $5.70; Circle, $10. Total, $288.15.

Deaconess Work.—Voucher, $40. Total, $40.

Yakima Indian Mission.—Indianapolis: Central Avenue, $1; Edwin Ray, $5. Total, $6.

Rust Hall.—Acton Park, $1.22; Connersville, $11; Franklin, $1; Indianapolis: Central Avenue, $1; Edwin Ray, $3.19; Hall Place, $1; Lawrenceburg, 50 cents; Mooresville, $1; Shelbyville: West Street, $1.50. Total, $21.41.

Total Special Fund, ... $355.56.
Grand total, ... 1,444.22.

Iowa Conference.

MRS. W. F. COWLES, Treasurer, 707 Summer Street, Burlington, Iowa.

General Fund.—BURLINGTON DISTRICT.—Burlington: First Church, $35.25; Grace Church, $12.95; Columbus Junction, $3; Danville, $1; Fort Madison: First Church, $9.75; Morning Sun, $16; Mt. Pleasant, $40; Mite-boxes, 50 cents; Mt. Union, $1; West Point, Pitman Chapel Circle, $4. Total, $123.45.

KEOKUK DISTRICT.—Centerville, $1; Keokuk: Chatham Square, $12.75; Drakeville, $1; Libertyville, $1; Pulaski, $2; Salina, $1; Selma, $2; Troy, $1. Total, $21.75.

MUSCATINE DISTRICT.—Amish, $2; Kalona, $2; Keota, $1; Marengo, $29.20; Jewels, $1.80; Muscatine: First Church, $37; Jewels, $1.50; North English, $6; Sweetland Center, $2, Washington, $61.80; Circle, $13.50; Jewels, $8.96; Wellman, $5; Circle, $1.65; West Liberty, $5.75; Williamsburg, $1.50; Wilton Junction, $24. Total, $204.66.

OSKALOOSA DISTRICT.—Brooklyn, $15; Grinnell, $30; Lynnville, $1; Montezuma, $15.50; Jewels, 10 cents; New Sharon, $1; Pella, $1. Total, $63.60.

OTTUMWA DISTRICT. — Albia, $19.40; Fremont, $3; Eddyville, $1; Hedrick, $10.70; Mite-jugs, $1.25; Knoxville, $17.25; Lovilla, $8.75; Moravia, $1; Ottumwa, $47; Jewels, $1.50; Unionville, $1. Total, $111.85.

Leaflet Fund, 25 cents. Total, 25 cents.

Total General Fund, ... $525.56.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.*—Burlington: First Church, $5; Grace Church, $5; birthday offering, $2.26; Grinnell, $1; Mt. Pleasant, $5; Mrs. Levanda Murphy, West Liberty, $5; West Point: Pitman Chapel Circle, $5; Wilton, $5. Total, $33.26.

Missionary's Salary.—Conference, $5. Total, $5.

Total Special General Fund, ... $38.26.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Jesse Lee Home.*—Albia, $12; Brooklyn, $15; Grinnell, $8.50; Mt. Pleasant, $22; Washington, $25.50. Total, $83.

King Home.—Fort Madison, $10; Keokuk: Chatham Square, $1.55; Montezuma, $5; Muscatine: First Church, $40; Ottumwa, $45.50; Washington, $40; Wellman, 50 cents; Wilton Junction, $15. Total, $157.55.

Mothers' Jewels Home.—Burlington, Grace Church Band, $2.10; Washington, $14.34. Total, $16.44.
Oriental Work.—Burlington: First Church, $15.50; Marengo, $5. Total, $20.50.
Stickney Home.—Burlington: First Church, $30.06; Grace Church, $9; Mt. Pleasant, $22. Total, $61.06.
Utah.—Marengo, $25. Total, $25.
Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $363.55.

Special Fund. — *Des Moines Deaconess Home.*—Burlington: First Church, $11; Grinnell, $1.50; Marengo, mite-boxes, $9.17: Montezuma, $11.48; Mt. Pleasant, $6.50; Washington, $5; Circle, $5; Wellman, 70 cents; West Point: Pitman Chapel Circle, $10. Total, $60.35.
Rust Hall.—Albia, $2; Bloomfield, $1.34; Burlington: Grace Church, $5; Fort Madison, $2.52; Marengo, $2; Muscatine, $2.50; Washington, $2. Total, $17.36.
Frontier Work.—Voucher, $13.93. Total, $13.93.
Total Special Fund, ... $91.64.
Grand total, ... 1,019.01.

Kansas Conference.

MRS. ROBT. H. HAWTHORN, Treasurer, 929 Kansas Avenue, Atchison, Kas.

General Fund.—ATCHISON DISTRICT.—Atchison, $26.50; Jewels, $1. Total, $27.50.
JUNCTION CITY DISTRICT.—Clay Center, $10.75; Exeter, $6.25; Morganville, $11.75. Total, $28.75.
KANSAS CITY DISTRICT.—Argentine, $8.75; mite-box, $3.35; Kansas City, $5.75; Washington Ave., $27; Lawrence: First Church, $23.40. Total, $68.25.
MANHATTAN DISTRICT.—Bucks Grove, $20.50; Centralia, $12.35; Fancy Creek, $20.50; Havensville, $4.50; Manhattan, $17.50. Total, $75.35.
TOPEKA DISTRICT.—Burlingame, $2.50; Topeka, $46.50. Total, $49.
Total General Fund, ... $248.85.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.*—Argentine, $3.50; Atchison, $5.35; Bucks Grove, $10; Exeter, $1.52; Fancy Creek, $3.50; Manhattan, $10; Ministers' Conference donation, $9; mite-boxes, $1.70. Total, $44.57.
Total Special General Fund, ... $44.57.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Harwood Home.*—Bucks Grove, $5; Manhattan, $52.50; Topeka, $50. Total, $107.50.
Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school. — Atchison, $5; Argentine, $2; Bucks Grove, $5; Clay Center, $14.45; Centralia, $7; Exeter, $3; Manhattan, $10; Morganville, $4; Topeka, $5. Total, $55.45.
Boylan Home.—Fancy Creek, by voucher, $5. Total, $5.
Mothers' Jewels Home.—Seneca, mite-boxes, $5. Total, $5.
E. L. Rust Home.—Kansas City: Washington Ave., $5. Total, $5.
Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $177.95.

Special Fund.—*Harwood Home.*—Topeka: First Church, $114.26. Total, $114.26.
Mothers' Jewels Home.—Lawrence, $5. Total, $5.
Total Special Fund, ... $119.26.
Grand total, ... 590.63.

Kentucky Conference.

MRS. MORRIS ESKRIDGE, Treasurer, Hardinsburg, Ky.

General Fund.—LEXINGTON DISTRICT.—Lexington: Centenary, $27.25. Total, $27.25.

LOUISVILLE DISTRICT. — Hardinsburg, $16.30; Louisville: Trinity, $56.15. Total, $72.45.

Total to General Fund, ... $99.70.

Emergency Fund.—Lexington: Centenary, $9.17; Louisville, Thankoffering, $11.02.

Total to Emergency Fund, ... $20.19.

Beneficiary Fund. — *Lucy Webb Hays Home.* — Hardinsburg, by voucher, $20.

Total to Beneficiary Fund, ... $20.00.
Grand total, ... 139.89.

Louisiana Conference.

MRS. R. C. MONTGOMERY, Treasurer, 3621 S. Rampart St., New Orleans, La.

General Fund.—Alexandria, $2.86; Boonville, $1; Bunker, $2.25; La Fayette, $2; New Iberia, $2; Pineville, $2.55. Total, $12.66.

The following amounts were received last year too late to be reported: Lake: Providence, $6; New Orleans C. District, $1; Pleasant Plains, $3; Boonville, $1; Schriver, $5; Scott Chinn Chapel, $5; St. James, $1; St. Paul, $1; Wesley Chapel, $12; Conference gleanings, $35. Total, $70.

Of above amount, $19.34 was expended in Conference (frontier work).

Emergency Fund.—New Orleans: Mrs. D. M. Walker, $5. Total, $5.

Grand total, ... $87.66.

Maine Conference.

MRS. A. E. LUCE, Treasurer, South Berwick, Me.

General Fund.—AUGUSTA DISTRICT.—Augusta, $27.25; East Livermore Mills, $5.02; East Wilton, $2; Fairfield and Fairfield Center, $6; Farmington, $15; Gardiner, $37.52; Hallowell, $17; Kent's Hill, $17.30; Band, $3; Livermore Falls, $1; Monmouth, $5; New Sharon, $1; North Augusta, $1; Readfield, $13; Richmond, $1; Skowhegan, $8.75; Waterville, $3; Wayne, $5; Winthrop, $4; Wilton, $17. Total, $189.84.

LEWISTON DISTRICT.—Auburn, $12; Bath: Wesley Chapel, $17.05; Beacon Street, $8; Brunswick, $1; East North Yarmouth, $1; Livingston: Park Church, $8; Long Island, $1; Mechanic's Falls, $2; Rumford, $1; West Cumberland, $1.50; West Durham and Powell, $1; South Paris, 64 cents; Band, $2. Total, $56.19.

PORTLAND DISTRICT.—Biddeford, $5; Buxton and Standish, $1; Cornish, $1; Gorham, $14; North Street, $2: Kennebunk, $18.50; Kezar Falls, $1; Knightsville, $1; Old Orchard, $2; Portland: Chestnut Street, $50; Pine Street, $22; Life member, $20; Congress Street, $28; Peak's Island, $1; Saco, $34; Life members, $60; South Berwick, $1; South Elliott, $1; South Portland, $8.25; Westbrook, $23.70; Band, $1.30; Woodford's, $15; York, $11.25. Total, $322.

Total General Fund, ... $568.03.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency.*—Farmington, $1.60; Gorham, $1; Hallowell, $2; Kent's Hill, Young Ladies, $5.75; Madison, $5; Portland: Chestnut Street, $10; Congress Street, $15; Pine Street, $10; Saco, $5; Skowhegan, $4; Winthrop, $5. Total, $64.35.
Teacher's Salary, $5. Total, $5.

Total Special General Fund, ... $69.35.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Oriental Work, San Francisco.*—From Young Ladies' Christian Endeavor Society of Maine Wesleyan Seminary, $20; East North Yarmouth, $5.85; Portland: Chestnut Street, $10. Total, $35.85.
New Jersey Home.—Auburn: High Street, Band, $5; Readfield, Band, $2. Total, $7.
Simpson Home.—Saco, voucher, $10. Total, $10.
Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $52.85.
Special Fund.—*Rust Hall.*—Kent's Hill, $5; Portland: Congress Street, $9.60.

Total Special Fund, ... $14.60.
Grand total, ... 704.83.

Michigan Conference.

MRS. J. G. PLOWMAN, Treasurer, 605 Cass Street, Albion, Mich.

General Fund.—ALBION DISTRICT.—Albion, $63.51; Circle, $3.06; Charlotte, $17; Eckford, $4.50; Homer, $23.00; Jackson, $49.35; Hillsdale, $17; Pittsford, $4; Parma, $3; Quincy, $6. Total, $190.42.
BIG RAPIDS DISTRICT.—Big Rapids, $31.50; Jewels, 50 cents; Fair Plains, $4; Greenville, $20.25; Shepherd, $6. Total, $62.25.
GRAND RAPIDS DISTRICT.—Grand Rapids: Ames Church, $7.50; Division Street, $44.50; Circle, $5.50; Guild, $21; Joy Memorial, $11.50; East Street, $14.78; Circle, $1; Second Street, $52; Hastings, $28; Hesperia, $1; Lowell, $4. Total, $190.78.
GRAND TRAVERSE DISTRICT.—Charlevoix, $11.25; Harbor Springs, $14.25; Petoskey, $20.25; Manistee, $11.25. Total, $57.
KALAMAZOO DISTRICT.—Allegan, $18.50; Belleview, $23.07; Ganges, $19.95; Kalamazoo: First Church, $50; Simpson, $24.25; Kalamo, $8; Milo, $7; Otsego, $13.85; Jewels, 20 cents; Plainville, $22: Trowbridge, $16; Vicksburg, $10.75; West Casco, $21.50. Total, $235.07.
LANSING DISTRICT.—Fair Plains, $1.75; Ionia, $14; Lansing: First Church, $15; Central, $43.50; Mason, $17.25; Ovid, $20; Orange, $8.75; Portland, $25.45; St. John, $20. Total, $165.70.
NILES DISTRICT.—Benton Harbor, $13.50; Coldwater, $17; Coulter Chapel, $14.50; Three Rivers, $17.50; Union City, $7.25; White Pigeon, $14.75; Niles, $9.75. Total, $94.25.
Mite-boxes, $29.95. Total, $29.95.
Leaflet, $3.05. Total, $3.05.
Voucher, $3.09. Total, $3.09.

Total General Fund, ... $1,031.56.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency.*—Albion, $10; Allegan, * $5; Charlevoix, $5; Coulter Chapel, $5; Grand Rapids: East Street, $5; Hillsdale, $5; Kalamazoo: Central Church, $5; First Church, $6.50; Mason, $5; Plainville, $5; Vicksburg, $5; without special credits, $1. Total, $62.50.
Teacher's Salary.—Big Rapids, $16; Carson City, $3; Charlevoix, $5; Charlotte, $5; Coldwater, $10; Coulter Chapel, $5; Crystal Springs Camp-meeting, $20; Mite-jugs, $12.32; Ganges, $1; Fair Plains, $4; Grand

* $2.50 should be added to this amount.

Rapids: Ames Church, $2.50; Division Street, $10; Guild, $20; East Street, $4; Joy Memorial, $3; Second Street, $20; Greenville, $8; Ionia, $7; Ionia District, $5.50; Hastings, $5; Hillsdale, $5; Jackson, $36; Kalamo, $6; Lansing, $1; Manistee, $6; Mason, $1; Orange, $9; Mite-boxes, $1.19; Parma, $2.50; Petoskey, $5; Portland, $4; Quincy, $10; Union City, $2.75; White Pigeon, $5; Mite-boxes, $114.07. Total, $374.83.

Total Special General Fund, ... $437.33.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Adeline Smith Home.*—Kalamazoo: First Church, $30; Three Rivers, $10. Total, $40.

Asheville.—Belleview, $5; Grand Rapids: Second Street, $40. Total, $45.

Mothers' Jewels Home, $10. Total, $10.

Ritter Home.—Albion, $40; Homer, $10; Grand Rapids: Ames Church, $2.50; Division Street, $7; Guild, $5; East Street, $6; Joy Memorial, $5; Lowell, $5. Total, $80.50.

Rust Home.—Charlotte, $10; Ithaca, $5; Lansing: Central, $10; First Church, $5; Mason, $5; Ovid, $11; St. John, $20. Total, $66.

Stickney Home.—Allegan, $5; Kalamazoo: Simpson, $6; Milo, $2; Otsego, $6.30; Plainville, $9; Trowbridge, $7; Vicksburg, $4; West Casco, $5. Total, $44.30.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $285.80.

Special Fund.—*Deaconess Home.**—Grand Rapids, voucher, $655.27. Total, $655.27.

*Deaconess Home.**—Jackson, voucher, $137.12. Total, $137.12.

Frontier Work.—Voucher, $183.04. Total, $183.04.

Immigrant Work.—Voucher, $5.50. Total, $5.50.

Mary Haven Home.—Grand Rapids: East Street, voucher, $1; Kalamazoo: Simpson, voucher, $1; First Church, $1. Total, $3.

Mothers' Jewels Home.—Belleview, $10. Total, $10.

Rust Hall.—Albion District, $25. Total, $25.

Total Special Fund, ... $1,018.93.
Grand total, ... 2,773.62.

Minnesota and Minnesota Northern Conference.

MRS. F. F. SAFFORD, Treasurer, 137 East Fourteenth Street, Minneapolis, Minn.

General Fund.—Minneapolis: First Church, $8.50; Thank-offering, $6.65; Jewels, $1.50; Foss, $6.75; Franklin Avenue, $10; Forest Heights, $11.88; Hennepin Avenue, $19; Simpson, $24.15; Jewels, $5.90; Trinity, $6.62; Wesley, $26.75; Jewels, 90 cents; Circle, $2.50; Western Avenue, $5.84; Collection, 90 cents. Total, $137.84.

ST. PAUL DISTRICT.—St. Paul: Clinton Avenue, $1.38; First Church, $8; Hamline, $19; Morris, $3; Trinity, $8.38; Winnebago, $1.38. Total, $41.14.

MANKATO DISTRICT.—Blue Earth City, $1; Gift, $2; Elmore, $2.25; Gift, 75 cents; Rochester, gift, $2. Total, $8.

Mite-boxes, $7.03. Total, $7.03.

Frontier Work.—By voucher, $58.34. Total, $58.34.

Total General Fund, ... $252.35.

* See note, page 121.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.*—Minneapolis: Hennepin Avenue, $25; Simpson Church, Thank-offering, $18; Wesley, $3.19; St. Paul: Hamline, $5; Trinity, $3.50; Merriam Park: Trinity, $5; Mrs. Perry Harrison, $5. Total, $64.69.

Total to Special General Fund, ... $64.69.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Asheville Home.*—Minneapolis: Hennepin Avenue, $10. Total, $10.

Bennett Home.—Minneapolis: Hennepin Avenue, Young Ladies, $36.30. Total, $36.30.

Dulce Home.—Minneapolis: Hennepin Avenue, $40. Total, $40.

Emerson Home.—Minneapolis: Simpson Church, $12.50. Total, $25.

Jesse Lee Home.—Minneapolis: Franklin Avenue, $41.27; Simpson, $35; Hennepin Avenue, $46.65; Wesley, $51.65. Total, $174.57.

Oriental Work.—Minneapolis: Wesley, $1.70. Total, $1.70.

King Home.—Minneapolis: Hennepin Avenue, $10; Trinity, $10; First Church, $1.79; Western Avenue, $9.18; Simpson Church, by voucher. $10. Total, $50.97.

Mothers' Jewels.—Minneapolis: Fowler Church, 50 cents. Total, 50 cents.

Ritter Home.—St. Paul: First Church, $47.24; Hamline, $40; Owatonna, $10; Minneapolis: Hennepin Avenue, $40. Total, $137.24.

Utah.—Minneapolis: Wesley, $1.65. Total, $1.65.

Total to Beneficiary Fund, ... $477.93.

Special Fund.—*Jesse Lee Home.*—Minneapolis: Simpson Church, $15. Total, $15.

Grand total, ... $809.97.

Missouri Conference.

MRS. PRICE A. CROW, Treasurer, Marceline, Mo.

General Fund.—HANNIBAL DISTRICT.—Sumner, $1; Mexico, $4.85; Marceline, $4.35; Wakenda, $1.50. Total, $11.70.

MARYSVILLE DISTRICT.—Tarkio, $1. Total, $1.

KIRKSVILLE DISTRICT.—Kirksville, $20. Total, $20.

ST. JOSEPH'S DISTRICT.—Clearmont, $1; Martinsville, $8.50; St. Joseph: First Church, $16.25. Total, $25.75.

Mite-box, 50 cents. Total, 50 cents.

Total General Fund, ... $58.95.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Ritter Home.*—St. Joseph, $20. Total, $20.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $20.

Special Fund.—*Mothers' Jewels Home.*—Strawberry, $10. Total, $10.

Total Special Fund, ... $10.00.

Grand total, ... 88.95.

Nebraska Conference.

MRS. F. M. ESTERBROOK, Treasurer, University Place, Neb.

General Fund.—BEATRICE DISTRICT.—Beatrice: Centenary, $20.40; Band, $1.25; Blue Springs, $7; De Witt, $2.50; Fairbury, $16. Total, $47.15.

HASTINGS DISTRICT. — Clay Center, $4.50; Edgar, $11.20; Fairfield, $10.25; Fairmount, $2.75; Geneva, $14.25. Total, $42.95.

LINCOLN DISTRICT.—Elmwood, $8.50; Lincoln: Grace, $17.40; St. Paul, $28.50; Trinity, $31.15; Band, 20 cents; Raymond, $8; University Place, $26. Total, $119.75.

NEBRASKA CITY DISTRICT. — Falls City, $13; Nebraska City, $9; Palmyra, $7; Peru, $18; Table Rock, $8; Tecumseh, $12.45; Weeping Water, $9. Total $76.45.

YORK DISTRICT.—Bellwood, $21.75; David City, $15.75; Osceola, $4.45; York, $7.25. Total, $49.20.

Mite-boxes, $16.65. Total, $16.65.

Frontier Work.—By voucher, $17.95. Total, $17.95.

Total General Fund, ... $370.10.

Special General Fund. — *Emergency Fund.* — Bellwood, $5; David City, $5; Fairfield, $3.75; Hastings, $5; Peru, $4; Table Rock, $1.30; Tecumseh, $5; York, $15. Total, $44.05

Total Special General Fund, ... $44.05.

Beneficiary Fund. — *Jesse Lee Home.* — York, Junior League, by voucher, $13.26. Total, $13.26.

Mothers' Jewels Home.—Beatrice: Centenary, $17; Lincoln: St. Paul, $50; Superior, $4; Junior League, $2; York, $4. Total, $77.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $90.26.

Special Fund. — *Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.* — Lincoln: St. Paul, $10. Total, $10.

Mothers' Jewels Home.—Fairbury, $1; Hastings, $10; Loup City, $5; Minden, $6.75; Palmyra, $1.37; Peru, $6.85; Lincoln: Trinity, $15.40; University Place, $2.25; York, $4.25. Total, $52.87.

Frontier Work.—Voucher, $7.65. Total, $7.65.

Total Special Fund, ... $70.52.

Grand total, ... 574.93.

Newark Conference.

MRS. C. M. BLAINE, Treasurer, 545 Orange Street, Newark, N. J.

General Fund. — ELIZABETH DISTRICT. — Cranford, $17; Elizabeth: Park Church, $19.23; Circle, $3; Plainfield: First Church, $35; Jewels, $2; Circle, $7; Grace Church, $22; Band, $4.50; St. James, $54.57; Westfield, $30; Circle, $20; young ladies, $10; without special credit, $2.65. Total, $226.95.

JERSEY CITY DISTRICT.—Bergen Point, $12.02; Jewels, $1.60; Jersey City: Englewood, $2; Emory, $10.50; Centenary, $14.31; Circle, $1.65; Grace, Band, $3.41; West Side Avenue, $31.57; Band, $3.60. Total, $80.66.

NEWARK DISTRICT.—Bloomfield, $31; Circle, $1.20; East Orange: Calvary, $134.14; Circle, $8.50; Jewels, $11; Band, $7.02; Sanford Street, League, $1.42; Madison, $17; Mont Clair, $73.25; Jewels, $4.40; Morristown, $115; Newark: Centenary, $25; Circle, $20; Central, $32.05; Circle, $6; Eighth Avenue, $27.50; Halsey Street, $77; Jewels, $3; Roseville, $85.50; Band, $5.50; St. Luke, $35; St. Paul, $36; Mt. Tabor, $17; Trinity, $17.30; Orange: First Church, $46; Bands, $9.20. Total, $845.98.

PATERSON DISTRICT. — Boonton, $9.80; Circle, $3; Dover, $13.43; Newton, $43.75; Jewels, 50 cents; Paterson: Grace, $32; Market Street, $43.25; Wesley, $19; Passaic, $12; Washington, $27. Total, $203.73.

Leaflet, 75 cents. Total, 75 cents.

Mite-boxes, $34.12. Total, $34.12.

Conference Collection, $41. Total, $41.

By voucher, half dues Deaconess Home, Jersey City, $21.88; Conference Organizer, by voucher, $4.08. Total, $25.96.

Total General Fund, ... $1,459.17.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.*—Bloomfield, $5; Bergen Point, $5; Cranford, $7; East Orange: Calvary, Christophorus Circle, $10; Centenary, $7; Sanford, $3.05; Madison, $10; Englewood, $7; Westfield, $8.75; Newark: Centenary, $5; Rossville, $12; St. Paul, $12; St. Luke, $25; Orange: First Church, $10; Mont Clair, $19.30; Newton, $5; Plainfield: First Church, $9.70; Jersey: West Side, $5; Elizabeth: St. James, $34. Total, $199.50.

Teacher's Salary.—Navajo Indian Work: Roseville, $5. Total, $5.

Total Special General Fund, ... $204.50.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Harwood Home.*—East Orange: Calvary, Golden Rule Circle, $55.74; Christophorus Circle, $25; Newark: St. Paul, $5; Elizabeth: Park Church, $25. Total, $110.74.

Haven Home. — Bloomfield: Park Church, voucher, $7.15. Total, $7.15.

Jesse Lee Home.—Newark: Roseville, $25; East Orange: Calvary, $25. Total, $50.

Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—Jersey City; Englewood, $5; East Orange: Calvary, $10; Mont Clair, $5; Bergen Point, $2; Newark: St. Paul, $10; Halsey Street, $5; Roseville, $5; St. Paul, $10; Paterson: Market Street, $10. Total, $62.

Mothers' Jewels Home.—Morristown, $16.37. Total, $16.37.

Ritter Home.—Mont Clair, $10; Mt. Tabor, $15. Total, $25.

Watts de Peyster Home. — Elizabeth: St. James, $100; Plainfield: Grace, Queen Esther Circle, $30. Total, $130.

Stickney Home.—Newton: Halsey Street, $7; St. Luke, $10; Plainfield: First Church, $4. Total, $21.

Boylan Home.—Newark: Halsey Street, $30; St. Luke, by voucher, $53. Total, $68.

New Jersey Home. — East Orange: Calvary, $48; Morristown, by voucher, $25; Morristown, $15. Total, $88.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $593.26.

Special Fund.—*Bancroft Rest Home.*—Englewood, $2; by voucher, East Orange, $100; Mont Clair, $10; for furnishing, $170; without special credit, $524.99. Total, $806.99.

Deaconess Home, Jersey City.—By voucher, $290.13.* Total, $290.13.

Harwoood Home.—East Orange: Calvary, $2.60; Golden Rule, $4.85; Mt. Tabor, $8. Total, $15.45.

Immigrant Home, New York. — East Orange: Calvary, by voucher, $20; Englewood, $4. Total, $24.

Jewett, New Mexico.—Plainfield: First Church, $20; Grace, $10; Cranford, $5. Total, $35.

Boylan Home.—By voucher, $20. Total, $20.

Jesse Lee Home.—Newark: Centenary, $50; St. Luke, $25. Total, $75.

Rust Hall.—Newark: Halsey Street, $10; Eighth Avenue, $10; St. Paul, $20. Total, $40.

Total Special Fund, ... $1,306.57.
Grand total, ... 3,563.50.

* See note, page 121.

New England Conference.

MISS E. J. WEBSTER, Treasurer, 28 Greenwich Park, Boston, Mass.

General Fund.—BOSTON DISTRICT.—Boston: Baker Memorial, $21; People's Temple, $10; St. John, $28; Temple Street, $50: Tremont Street, $78; Jewels, $7.40; Circle, $2.25; Winthrop Street, $53; Jewels, $7.50; Cheerful Workers, $3; Brookline, $28.70; Jewels, 10 cents; Dorchester, $34; Eggleston Square, $10.20; Jewels, $3.35; Hyde Park, $32; Jewels, $5.77; Jamaica Plain, $6; Natick, $14.75; Newton, $18.80; Newton Center, $27; Newtonville, $14; Jewels, $2; Roslindale, $20; Stanton Avenue, $18.20; Circle, $5; Wollaston, $5.75; Conference collection, $26.80. Total, $532.57.

WESTERN DIVISION.—Oxford, $10; Webster, $19.20; Worcester, $72.50; Faith Fund, $26.79. Total, $128.49.

NORTH BOSTON DISTRICT. — Cambridge: Epworth, $10; Jewels, $5; Grace, $14; Harvard Street, $33; Charlestown: Trinity, $11; Monument Square, $7.25; Hudson, $11; Lowell: St. Paul, $12; Somerville: Broadway, $14; First Church, $46; Third Street, $26; Park Avenue, $30.25; Thank-offering, $7.75; Jewels, 90 cents; Band, 50 cents; Waltham: Asbury, $5; Immanuel, $10; Watertown, $24.50; Winchester, $14; Jewels, $3.10; Woburn, $12.50. Total, $297.75.

WESTERN DIVISION.—Athol, $34; Belchertown, $4; Clinton, $3; Fitchburg, $21; Jewels, $2.25; Leominster, $24; West Fitchburg, $30.50. Total, $118.75.

LYNN DISTRICT.—Asbury Grove, $5; Belmont, $26; Jewels, $10.70; Beverly, $13; Chelsea: Meridian Street, Jewels, $5; Walnut Street, $20; East Boston: Saratoga Street, $43; Everett Street, $20; Faulkner, $4; Gloucester, $10; Jewels, $3; Ipswich, $12; Jewels, $2; Lynn Common, $81; Circle, $5.50; Jewels, $4.50; South Street, $25; Malden Center, $100; Jewels, $8.45; Marblehead, $11; Melrose, $67; Jewels, $2; Peabody, $18; Revere, $10; Salem: Wesley, $20; Jewels, $4; Winthrop, $18; Jewels, $3; St. Paul, $15; Jewels, $2.30; Immigrant Home Sewing-school, $6. Total, $574.45.

SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.—Brightwood, $2; Chicopee Falls, $37; Merrick, $2.75; Jewels, $1; Southbridge, $12; Springfield, $130; Jewels, $8; Jewels, through Miss Van Marter, $1. Total, $255.25.

Total to General Fund, ... $1,907.26.

Special General Fund. — *Emergency Fund.* — Athol, $9.50; Boston: Temple Street, $5; Tremont Street, $10; Brookline, $10; East Boston: Saratoga Street, $5; Fitchburg, $5; Hampden, $1; Hudson, $5; Hyde Park, $5; Ipswich, $5; Lynn Common, $6; South Street, $5; Malden Center, $12; Melrose, $9; Roslindale, $5; Salem, $15; Shrewsbury, $5; Somerville: Park Avenue, $10; Springfield, $5; Watertown, $7; Westfield, $7; Winthrop, $20. Total, $166.50.

Missionary's Salary.—Jewett, N. M.: Springfield, $20. Total, $20.

Total Special General Fund, ... $186.50.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Asheville.*—Boston: Winthrop Street, $10; Eggleston Square, $4; Brookline, $5; Gloucester, $10; Springfield, $13; Somerville: Park Avenue, $5; Webster, $5; Worcester, $13. Total, $65.

Bennett Home.—Boston: Tremont Street, $40. Total, $40.

Boylan Home.—Malden Center, $45. Total, $45.

Browning Home. — Boston: St. John's, $10; Winthrop Street, $20; voucher, $5; Circle, $10; Warren Street, voucher, $9.30; Hyde Park, $10; Lynn: South Street, voucher, $5. Total, $69.30.

Dulce.—Hyde Park, voucher, $2. Total, $2.

Emerson Home.—Somerville, $20. Total, $20.
E. L. Rust Home.—Lynn: South Street, $10. Total, $10.
Harwood Home.—Newton Center, $10. Total, $10.
Haven Home.—Lynn Common, Circle, $40; Malden, $25; Malden Center, $25. Total, $90.
Jesse Lee Home.—Boston: Temple Street, $25; Bromfield Street, $4; Tremont Street, $50; Winthrop Street, $2.50; Brookline, $2.50; Dorchester, $6.25; East Boston: Saratoga Street, $2.50; Hyde Park, $5; Lowell: St. Paul, $12; Lynn: St. Paul, $20; Malden Center, $1.25; Somerville: Park Avenue, 25 cents; Webster, $5; Winchester, $2; Woburn, $3.75; Worcester, $8. Total, $150.
Lucy Webb Hayes Trainihg-school. — Boston: Tremont Street, $5; Winthrop Street, $11; Belmont, $2; Brookline, $5.30; Dorchester, $3, Stanton Avenue, $5; Hyde Park, $8; Everett, $7; East Boston: Saratoga Street, $2; Hudson, $10; Lynn Common, $3; L. W. H. Band, $3; Malden Center, $4.70; Melrose, $5; Newton, $2; Newton Center, $7; Salem, $2; Springfield, $5; Worcester, $8. Total, $98.
Ritter Home.—Boston: Tremont Street, Band, $40. Total, $40.
Simpson Home.—Dorchester, voucher, $6; Lynn Common, Circle, $5; Salem, $10. Total, $21.
Stickney Home.—Chicopee Falls, $10; Melrose, $22; Newtonville, $5; Springfield, $5. Total, $42.
Thayer Home.—Boston: Winthrop Street, $40; Malden Center, $110; Springfield, $25. Total, $175.
Watts de Peyster Home. — Boston: Baker Memorial, $1; Tremont Street, $1; Winthrop Street, $1; Cambridge: Grace, $10; Brookline, $6; Eggleston Square, $2; Hyde Park, $5; Newton, $4; Newtonville, $5; Salem, $10; voucher, $5; Worcester, $10. Total, $60.
Oriental Work.—Boston: Tremont Street, $2; Hyde Park, $2; Cambridge: Epworth, 50 cents; Somerville: First Church, 50 cents; Flint, 50 cents; Park Avenue, 25 cents; Ipswich, $1; Lynn: South Street, $1; Woburn, $2.25. Total, $10.
King Home.—Chicopee Falls, $10; Somerville: First Church, $10. Total, $20.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $967.30.

Special Fund.—*Bennett Home.*—Somerville: First Church, $97.33. Total, $97.33.
Immigrant Home, Boston.—Voucher, $262.06. Total, $262.06.
Jesse Lee Hospital.—Through Mrs. Beiler, Winchester, $2; without special credits, $5. Total, $7.
Lncy Webb Hayes Training-school.—Worcester, $2. Total, $2.
Rust Hall.—Hudson, Mrs. L. T. Jefts, $100; Webster, $20. Total, $120.
Yakima Indians.—Cambridge Indian Association, $20; Lawrence, $12; Merrick, $1.50. Total, $33.50.

Total Special Funds, ... $521.89.
Grand total, ... 3,582.95.

New England Southern Conference.

MRS. ELENOR J. COOPER, Treasurer, 3 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

General Fund.—NEW BEDFORD DISTRICT.—Bryantville, $9.50; Cottage City, $20; Jewels, $1; Fall River: Union, $36: Circle, $14.50; Fair Haven, $18; Marston's Mills, $1; Middleboro, $20; New Bedford: County Street, $19; Orleans, $3; Plymouth, $6; Taunton: Grace Church, $23.25; Whitman, $18; Yarmouth Camp, $6. Total, $195.25.

NORWICH DISTRICT.—Burnside, $13; Hazardville, $12; Jewett City, $10; Manchester, $7.50; New London, $31; Circle, $8.75; Band, $5; Norwich, $37; Niantic, $16; Jewels, $1; Band, $10; Rockville, $12; South Manchester, $25; Stafford Springs, $50; Willamantic, $21; Band, $10.50; Willamantic Camp, $10. Total, $279.75.

PROVIDENCE DISTRICT.—Attleboro, $17.22; Bristol, $21; Brockton: Central Church, $34; South Street, $30; East Greenwich, $3; East Weymouth, $26; Newport: First Church, $33; Pawtucket, $10.75; Providence: Union, $178; Jewels, 40 cents; Circle, $15; Stoughton, $6.25. Total, $374.62.

Gifts.—Attleboro, $1; Newport: First Church, $23; Mrs. N. C. Alger, Loan Fund, $40; Conference gatherings, $20.50; Mite-boxes, $24.07. Total, $108.57.

Leaflet Fund, $2. Total, $2.

Total General Fund, ... $960.19.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.*—East Weymouth, $10; Fall River: Union, $25; Fairhaven, $5; Hockanum, $1; New Bedford: County Street, $10; New Bedford District, $10; New London, $27.58; Circle, $5; Norwich: Trinity, $15; Plymouth, $3; Portland, $2; Rockville, $2; Stafford Springs, $5; Taunton: Grace, $30; Mrs. Harwood, $5. Total, $155.58.

Teachers' Fund.—To Browning Home.—Plymouth, $1. Total, $1.

Immigrant Home.—New York: Plymouth, $1. Total, $1.

King Home.—Brockton: Central Church, $8. Total, $8.

Total Special Fund, ... $165.58.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Asheville.*—New London: Circle, voucher, $20. Total, $20.

Browning Home.—Centerville, voucher, $8.29; East Greenwich, $1.66; East Weymouth, $3; Fall River: Union Circle, $40; Fairhaven, $13.08; Hazardville, $16; New Bedford: County Street, $10; Providence: Union, $40; Stafford Springs, $2; Warehouse Point, $3; Wickford, $2.30; Providence: Union, by voucher, $40. Total, $179.33.

Emerson Home.—Mystic, $10. Total, $10.

Dulce.—Fall River: Union, voucher, $7.16. Total, $7.16.

King Home.—Brockton: Central Church, $10.46. Total, $10.46.

New Jersey Home.—Mansfield, $1. Total, $1.

Oriental Work, San Francisco.—Fall River: Union, $2; New London, $1; Circle, $5; Norwich, $1; Providence: Union, $20. Total, $29.

Watts de Peyster Home.—New London: Circle, voucher, $20; Band, $5. Total, $25.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $281.95.

Special Fund.—*Asheville.*—Bristol, $1; Brockton: South Street, $1; East Weymouth, $6; Fall River: Union, $2; Circle, $4; Middleboro, $1; New London, $3; Norwich, $5; Plymouth, $1; Providence: Union, $17; Taunton: Grace, $1.50; Whitman, $1; Conference, $6.50; Mrs. A. B. Tregaskis, voucher, $5. Total, $55.

Browning Home.—Fall River: Union Circle, $10; New London, $5; Circle, $5; Norwich, $5; Norwich District, voucher, $25; Providence: Union, $55; Willamantic, $10; Voucher, $3. Total, $118.

Deaconess Work.—New London: Band, $5. Total, $5.

Yakima Indian Mission.—Jewett City, $1.25; New London, $2; Newport: First Church, $2; Norwich, $3. Total, $8.25.

Frontier Work.—New London: Circle, $10. Total, $10.

Total Special Fund, ... $196.25.

Grand total, ... 1,603.97.

New Hampshire Conference.

MRS. J. D. FOLSOM, Treasurer, Grasmere, N. H.

General Fund.—CONCORD DISTRICT.—Bethlehem, $13.75; Jewels, $3; Concord: Baker Memorial, $19; First Church, $18; Lisbon, $15; Suncook, $32.05; Tilton, $22.25. Total, $123.05.

DOVER DISTRICT.—Amesbury, $20.25; Jewels, 40 cents; Dover, $14; Greenland, $19; Jewels, 3.20; Haverhill: First Church, $14; Jewels, 50 cents; Circle, $12; Grace Church, $53; Jewels, $1.10; Lawrence: First Church, $44; Garden Street, $1; Newfield, $7.50; Rochester, $18.75; Salisbury, $12; Somersworth, $3.75. Total, $224.45.

MANCHESTER DISTRICT.—Claremont, $15; Contoocook: Jewels, $1; Goffstown, $1; Grantham, $1; Grasmere, $1; Keene, $17; Young Ladies, $2.50; Manchester: St. Paul's, $24; Marlboro, $10; Jewels, 50 cents; Nashua, $12.25; Salem: Pleasant Street, $5; First Church, $5.25; Sunapee, $14.75; Jewels, $1.50; Claremont Camp-meeting, $2. Total, $113.75.

Leaflet Fund, $1. Total, $1.

Mothers' Jewels, $21. Total, $21.

Organizers' Voucher, $6.75. Total, $6.75.

Total General Fund, ... $490.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.*—Bethlehem, $19; Junior League, $5; Concord: First Church, $15; Dover, $5; Haverhill: Grace, bequest of Mary E. Osgood, $75; First Church, $6.10; Lawrence: First Church, $6; Garden Street, $11; "Mrs. Thankful," $5; Newfields, $3.50; Manchester: St. Paul's, $5; Suncook, $3.25. Total, $158.85.

Teachers' Salary, Boylan Home.—Haverhill: First Church, voucher, $5. Total, $5.

Total Special General Fund, ... $163.85.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Alaska.*—Amesbury, $2.27; Bristol, $2; Greenland, $1; Haverhill: First Church, $1; Grace Circle, $5.23; Lisbon, $1.25; Newfield, $1; Suncook, $2.65. Total, $16.40.

Boylan Home.—Grasmere, voucher, $2.90; Haverhill: Grace, voucher, $73; Cash, $48; Manchester: St. Paul's, $30; Voucher, $7; North Grantham, $5; Sunapee, $10; Claremont and Wilmot Camp-meetings, voucher, $8.85. Total, $184.75.

Emerson Home.—Haverhill: Grace, voucher, $25. Total, $25.

Jesse Lee Home.—Bethlehem, $6; Claremont, $5; East Haverhill, $2; Grantham, $3.20; Haverhill: First Church, $2.15; Third Church, $2; Junior League, 50 cents; Salem: First Church, $1.75; Junior League, 25 cents; Conference gatherings, $7.89. Total, $30.74.

Mothers' Jewels Home.—South Lawrence, $5. Total, $5.

New Jersey Home.—Haverhill: First Church, $6; Voucher, $11. Total, $17.

Oriental Work, San Francisco.—Conference gatherings, $1.68; East Haverhill, $1; Grantham: Junior League, $2.80; Penacook, $3; Tilton, $1.52. Total, $10.

Watts de Peyster Home.—Conference gatherings, $5.43; Chesterfield, $1.25; Grasmere, $1.16; Greenland, $2.25; Methuen, $1. Total, $11.09.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $299.98.

Special Fund.—*Alaska.*—Lebanon, $5; Haverhill: First Church, $2.50. Total, $7.50.

Total Special Fund, ... $7.50.

Grand total, ... 961.33.

New Jersey Conference.

MRS. S. J. TURNER, Treasurer, 410 North Fourth Street, Camden, N. J.

General Fund.—BRIDGETON DISTRICT.—Bridgeton: Central Church, $39; Commerce Street, $26.50; Jewels, $1; Trinity, $27; Clayton, $33.80; Erma, $1; Ocean City, $7.75; Salem: Broadway, $18.75; Vineland: First Church, $83.75; Juniors, $3.60; Circle, $5; Band, $3.54; Jewels, $3.70; Woodstown, $33. Total, $287.39.

CAMDEN DISTRICT.—Blackwood, $20.68; Camden: Broadway, $107.75; Circle, $13.16; Band, $2.37; Jewels, $4.50; Centenary, $82.75; Circle, $2.66; Juniors, $5.75; Jewels, $4.80; First Church, $69.50; Circle, $5; Jewels $1.70; State Street, $12.25; Tabernacle, $51; Mission, $3.75; Jewels, $2.30; Union Church, $83; Circle, $2.15; Jewels, $1.50; Mission, $3.65; Collingwood, $5; Cramer's Hill, $18.65; Haddonfield, $24.25; Jewels, $2.20. Total, $530.32.

NEW BRUNSWICK DISTRICT.—Asbury Park: First Church, $35; Cranberry, $18.50; Manasquan, $26; Milltown, $7; New Brunswick, $15; New Egypt, $3; Ocean Grove, $64; Circle, $3.50; Jewels, 80 cents; Red Bank: Grace Church, $13; Sea Bright, $42. Total, $227.80.

TRENTON DISTRICT.—Ocean City, $5; Pennington, $10; Rancocas, $4; Trenton: Central Church, $36.25; First Church, $108; State Street, $62; St. Paul's, $30.75. Total, $256.

Mite-boxes, 31 cents. Total, 31 cents.

Total General Fund, ... $1,301.82.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency.*—Asbury Park: First Church, $5; Bridgeton: Commerce Street, $5; Trinity, $5; Camden: Broadway, $27.94; Centenary, $25; Circle, $10; First Church, $31; State Street, $1; Tabernacle, Circle, $5; Haddonfield, $10.27; Ocean Grove: St. Paul, $5; Band, $12; Pennington, 70 cents; Rancocas, $1; Salem: Broadway, $10; Sea Bright, $10; Trenton: Central, $1; First Church, $16.65; St. Paul, $2.60; State Street, $4.55; Trinity, $5; Vineland: First Church, $1. Total, $194.71.

Teacher's Salary, Jewett, New Mexico.—Bridgeton District, $4. Total, $4.

Immigrant Home, New York.—Camden: First Church, voucher, $3.25. Total, $3.25.

Utah.—Camden: Centenary, $5; First Church, $5; Union Church, $5; Camden District, $5; Trenton: First Church, $5. Total, $25.

Total Special General Fund, ... $226.96.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Harwood Home.*—Camden: Centenary, $10; Trenton: State Street, $10; Woodstown, $1.50. Total, $21.50.

Jesse Lee Home.—Blackwood, $2; Camden: First Church, $5; State Street, $1.50; Ocean Grove: St. Paul, $5; Red Bank: Grace Church, $2; Sea Bright, $2; Trenton: St. Paul, $2.50; First Church, $5. Total, $25.

New Jersey Home.—Camden: Broadway, $5, Centenary, $10; First Church, $5; Union Church, $5; Ocean Grove: St. Paul's, $2: Trenton: First Church, $5. Total, $32.

Oriental Work, San Francisco.—Bridgeton: Commerce Street, $10; Clayton, $5; Camden: Broadway, Circle, $5; Centenary, Circle, $2; First Church, $5; Asbury Park: First Church, $3. Total, $30.

Watts de Peyster Home.—Manasquan, $5; Sea Bright, $5; Trenton: St. Paul's, $5; Woodstown, $1.50. Total, $16.50.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $125.

Special Fund.—*Asheville.*—Camden: Broadway, $5; Centenary, $5. Total, $10.
Jesse Lee Home.—Trenton: State Street, $5. Total, $5.
Harwood Home.—Miss M. J. Wood, voucher, $2.80. Total, $2.80.
Immigrant Home, New York.—Voucher, $3.25. Total, $3.25.
Kent Home.—Ocean Grove: St. Paul's, $6. Total, $6.
Mary Haven Home.—Voucher, $3. Total, $3.
New Jersey Home.—Camden: Centenary, $5; Broadway, Circle, $2; First Church, Circle, $2; Auxiliaries, not named, $116. Total, $125.
Rest Home.—Asbury Park: First Church, $50; Ocean Grove: St. Paul, $100; Voucher, $17.10. Total, $167.10.

Total Special Fund, ... $322.15.
Grand total, ... 1,975.93.

New Mexico Mission.

MRS. R. Y. SHORT, Treasurer, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Emergency Fund.—Las Vegas: First Church, $6. Total, $6.

Total Emergency Fund, ... $6.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Harwood Home.*—Albuquerque, $25; Las Vegas: First Church, $37.86; Silver City, $5. Total, $67.86.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $67.86.

Special Fund.—*Harwood Home.*—Rev. W. A. Phelps, $1; For furniture in the Home, $20. Total, $21.

Total Special Fund, ... $21.00.
Grand total, ... 94.86.

New York Conference.

MRS. J. A. PUNDERFORD, Treasurer, 127 West Seventieth Street, New York.

General Fund.—KINGSTON DISTRICT.—Kingston: Clinton Avenue, $4.50; St. James, $36.50; Trinity, $45.73. Total, $86.73.
NEWBURG DISTRICT.—Newburg, $3. Total, $3.
NEW YORK DISTRICT.—New York: Brewster, $21; Calvary, $28.50; Carmel, $11; Chatham, $27.25; Coxsackie, $7.50; Duane Street, $5; Eighteenth Street, $40; Fordham, $15; Grace, $51.75; Hudson, $34.50; Katonah, $23.76; Kensico, $17; Lakeville, $15; Madison Avenue, $56; Jewels, 50 cents; Park Avenue, $26; Y. W. Mission Circle, $40; Peekskill: St. Paul, $10; First Church, $10; St. Andrews, $37.50; St. Luke, $11; St. James, $42: Sing Sing, $18; Twenty-fourth Street, $1; Tarrytown, $43; Union, $14; Washington Square, $108; Washington Heights, $4; Yonkers, $46.50; Mite-box, $1. Total, $765.76.
POUGHKEEPSIE DISTRICT.—Fishkill, $5.50; Poughkeepsie: Trinity, $35; Washington Street, $30; Poughquag, $15.50; Tivoli, $5.08; Conference gatherings, $111.47. Total, $202.55.
Mite-box, $25.02. Total, $25.02.

Total to General Fund, ... $1,083.06.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.*—New York: Eighteenth Street, $5; Madison Avenue, $27; Union, $5; Sing Sing, $60; Peekskill, $5; St. Paul, $5; Mrs. Alma Mathews, $5; Miss M. Van Marter, $5; Yonkers: Mrs. Cox, $5; Mrs. Osborne, $5; Mrs. W. A. Bell, $2; Mrs. W. J. Goodale, $3. Total, $132.

Missionary Salary, Oriental Work.—Sing Sing, $20. Total, $20.
Immigrant Home, New York.—Washington Square, $50. Total, $50.

Total to Special General Fund, ... $202.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Simpson Home.*—Peekskill: St. Paul, $10. Total, $10.
New Jersey Home.—Fordham, $2; St. James, $5; Without special credit, $40; Bequest, Miss Russell, $25. Total, $72.
Harwood Home.—Fordham, $2; Bequest, Miss Russell, $50. Total, $52.
Mothers' Jewels Home.—Bequest, Miss Russell, $50. Total, $50.
Ritter Home.—Bequest, Miss Russell, $25. Total, $25.
Kent Home.—New York: St. James, $5; Park Avenue, $6; Without special credit, $40; Bequest, Miss Russell, $25. Total, $76.
Watts de Peyster Home.—Sing Sing, $60; By voucher, $205.10; Various auxiliaries, by voucher, $598.82. Total, $863.92.
Jesse Lee Home.—Yonkers, $8. Total, $8.
Utah Work.—Bequest, Miss Russell, $25. Total, $25.

Total to Beneficiary Fund, ... $1,181.92.

Special Fund.—*Jesse Lee Home.*—Bequest, Miss Russell, $100; Mrs. Oakley, $1; Mrs. E. J. Bent, $1. Total, $102.
Asheville.—Peekskill: St. Paul, $25. Total, $25.
Bancroft Rest Home.—New York: Madison Avenue, $50; Bequest, Miss Russell, $25; Sing Sing, $30; St. Andrew's, $5; Park Avenue, $5; Union, $10; Yonkers, $10; Calvary, $10. Total, $145.
Frontier Work.—For special cases: Bequest, Miss Russell, $50. Total, $50.
Immigrant Home, New York.—Bequest, Miss Russell, $50. Total, $50.
Watts de Peyster.—Bequest, Miss Russell, $50. Total, $50.
Rust Hall.—New York: Madison Avenue, through Mrs. Fisk, $400; through Miss Van Marter, $100. Total, $500.
Yakima Indian Work.—Bequest, Miss Russell, $25; without special credit, $16. Total, $41.
Harwood Home.—New York: Madison Avenue, $14. Total, $14.

Total to Special Fund, ... $977.00.
Grand total, ... 3,443.98.

New York East Conference.

MRS. J. A. LANTRY, Treasurer, 614 Madison Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

General Fund.—NEW HAVEN DISTRICT.—Hartford: South Park, $8.75; Middletown, $55. Total, $63.75.
NEW YORK DISTRICT.—Bridgeport: First Church, $11; New York: First Church, $37.08; Mt. Vernon, $30; Trinity, $21.66; Washington Park, $82. Total, $181.74.
NORTH BROOKLYN DISTRICT.—Brooklyn: Bushwick Avenue, $44; Circle, $9.40; DeKalb, $10; Flushing, $5; Jamaica, $40. Total, $108.40.

Total General Fund, ... $685.04.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency.*—Brooklyn: Bushwick Avenue, $5; Hanson Place, $5; Hartford: South Park, $14; James Street, $5; Sumner Avenue, $5, Mrs. G. E. Strowbridge, $10. Total, $44.
Teacher's Salary.—Middletown, $18. Total, $18.

Total Special General Fund, ... $62.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Stickney Home.*—Conference Board, $25. Total, $25.
Watts de Peyster Home.—Middletown, voucher, $60. Total, $60.
Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $85.

Special Fund.—*Deaconess Home, Brooklyn, N. Y.**—Voucher, $2,387.14. Total, $2,387.14.
Yakima Indian Mission—Embury, $4; Conference Board, $25. Total, $25
Frontier Work.—Brooklyn: Bushwick Avenue, $5; Janes Street, $5; Nostrand Avenue, $10; Sumner Avenue, $5. Total, $25.
Jesse Lee Home.—Brooklyn: Eighteenth Street, $2; New York Avenue, $33: Sixth Avenue, $1; Sumner Avenue, $10. Total, $46.
Rest Home.—Voucher, $30; Middletown, voucher, $20. Total, $50.
Rust Hall.—Conference Board, $25. Total, $25.
Total Special Fund, ... $2,562.14.
Grand total, ... 3,394.18.

North Carolina Conference.

General Fund.—Greensboro, $4. Total, $4.

North Indiana Conference.

MRS. G. A. OSBORN, Treasurer, Marion Indiana.

General Fund.—FT. WAYNE DISTRICT.—Bluffton, $75.85; Circle, $3.75; Decatur, $31.05; Ft. Wayne, $30.20; Circle, $2; Fremont, $9.25; Garrett, $12.75; Huntington, $43.92. Total, $208.77.
GOSHEN DISTRICT.—Benton, $8.75; Elkhart, $71.25; Jewels, $4.80; Circle, $1.50; Goshen, $39; Milford, $10.75; Mishawaka, $43.25; New Paris, $14; Walcottville, $11.25. Total, $204.55.
KOKOMO DISTRICT.—Converse, $17.25; Elwood, $6.50; Goldsmith, $6.50; Logansport: Broadway, $21.25; Market Street, $12.50; Wheatland Street, $10.10; Peru, $29. Total $103.10.
MUNCIE DISTRICT.—Alexandria, $25.85; Anderson, $41.25; Hartford City, $34.50; Muncie, $30.25; Queen Esther, $3; Parker, $7.25; Red Key, $15.25. Total, $157.55.
RICHMOND DISTRICT.—Charlotteville, $8.25; Fountain City, $7; Hagerstown, $9.25; Knightstown, $23; Middletown, $17.60; New Castle, $27; Richmond: First Church, $28.75; Grace, $23.75; Queen Esther, $6.70; Winchester, $27. Total, $178.30.
WARSAW DISTRICT.—Marion, $41.10; Wabash, $50.25; Circle, $2.30; Warsaw, $18; Jewels, $15. Total, $126.65.
Leaflet Fund, $2.75. Total, $2.75.
Mile-boxes, $4.30. Total, $4.30.
Total to General Fund, ... $986.02.

Special General Fund.—*Missionary Salary.*—Alexandria, $5; Anderson, $32.50; Benton, $3; Bluffton, $14; Decatur, $15; Elkhart, $31.85; Ft. Wayne, $5; Hartford, $15; Hagerstown, $5; Huntington, $5; Knightstown, $15; Logansport: Broadway, $10: Market Street, $5; Middletown, $10; Muncie, $25; Milford, $4.68; Marion, $29.42; Mishawaka, $40; New Paris, $5.40; Peru, $10; Red Key, $11.25; Richmond: First Church, $15; Grace, $15; Winchester, $10.50; Warsaw, $5; Wabash, $25; Wheatland, $5. Total, $372.60.

* See note, page 121.

Emergency Fund.—Anderson, $18.59; Alexandria, $22.75; Benton, $5.70; Bluffton, $3.34, Decatur, $10; Elkhart, $45; Ft. Wayne, $6; Goshen, $5; Hartford City, $10; Huntington, $5; Middletown, $24; Muncie, $9.05; Nappanee, $5.30; Peru, $4.25; Richmond: First Church, $20; Grace, $10; Wabash, $10; Winchester, $6.50; Wolcottville, $1. Total, $221.48.

Total Special General Fund, ... $594.08.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Asheville.*—Huntington, $6.48. Total, $6.48.
Bennett.—Elkhart, $22.60; Mishawaka, $8.86; Richmond: Grace, $10. Total, $41.46.
Dulce.—Mishawaka, $10. Total, $10.
Mothers' Jewels.—Warsaw, $13. Total, $13.
Oriental Work.—Peru, $15; Richmond: Grace, $7.50. Total, $22.50.
Ritter Home.—Benton, $2; Marion, $25.25; Logansport: Wheatland Street, $15; Huntington, $20.85; Wabash, $20. Total, $83.10.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $176.54.

Special Fund.—*Lucy Webb Hayes Home; Rust Hall.*—Logansport: Broad Street, $10; Marion, $10. Total, $20.
Asheville.—Elkhart, $1.50. Total, $1.50.

Total to Special Fund, ... $21.50.
Grand total, ... 1,778.14.

North Nebraska Conference.

MRS. A. M. EHRHARDT, Treasurer, Stanton, Nebraska.

General Fund.—GRAND ISLAND DISTRICT.—Central City, $16.75; Circle, $2; Clark's, $10; St. Paul, $11; Grand Island, $2. Total, $41.75.
NELIGH DISTRICT.—Battle Creek, $1; Neligh, $3; Oakdale, $2; Plainview, $16. Total, $22.
NORFOLK DISTRICT.—Beemer, $8; Mite-boxes, $3.42; Decatur, $1; Hooper, $3.50; Lyons, $12.50; Madison, $12.50; Norfolk, $17; Jewels, $1.30; Pilger, $9; Stanton, $6; Wayne, $24.80; Jewels, $1. Total, $100.02.
OMAHA DISTRICT.—Fremont, $29.50; Omaha: Hansom Park, $46.50; Seward Street, $4.50; Trinity, $19; South Omaha, $21.05. Total, $124.45.
Conference Collections, $5.48; *Mite-boxes*, $5.87. Total, $11.35.

Total General Fund, ... $299.57.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency.*—Central City, S. F. Kennedy, $5; Fremont, $19.52; Norfolk, $5; Omaha: Hansom Park, $2; O'Neil, $2; Pilger, 50 cents; Plainview, $4.60; Wayne, $13. Total, $51.62.
Teacher's Fund; Immigrant Home, New York.—Omaha: Hansom Park, $5; South Omaha, $1. Total, $6.
Mothers' Jewels Home.—Wayne, $3.20. Total, $3.20.

Total Teacher's Fund, ... $9.20.
Total Special General Fund, ... 60.82.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Mothers' Jewels Home.*—Central City, $6; Norfolk, 70 cents; O'Neil, $1; Osmond, $3.75; Plainview, $12.36. Total, $23.81.
Oriental Work, San Francisco.—Fremont, $5. Total, $5.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $28.81.

Special Fund.—*Mothers' Jewels Home.*—Coleridge, Sunday-school, $3.50; Decatur, Circle, $2.50; voucher, $3.05; Fremont, $25; Junior League, $1.10; South Omaha, $1.03; Stanton, $4.50; Wayne, Junior League, $6.35 other sources, $3.19. Total, $50.22.

Total Special Fund, ... $50.22.
Grand total, ... 439.42.

North Ohio Conference.

MRS. T. S. SHEPHERD, Treasurer, Wooster, Ohio.

General Fund.—CLEVELAND DISTRICT.—Berea, $28.75; Cleveland: Brooklyn Church, $12.30; Franklin Avenue, $30.50; Gordon Avenue, $16.43; Jewels, $3.30; Jennings Avenue, $15.55; Elyria, $87.57; Huntington, $20; Band, $1; Lorain, $14; New London, $25.60; Oberlin, Circle, $10.14; Wellington, $33.10; Band, $5.50. Total, $303.74.

MANSFIELD DISTRICT.—Ashland, $27.75; Bucyrus, $27.45; Caledonia, $5; Crestline, $13; Delaware: Asbury, $34.35; Jewels, $1.40; Grace, $14; Circuit, $2; Galion, $23.25; Hayesville, $8.14; Mansfield, $106.75; Jewels, $5 30; Plymouth, $16.25; Pavonia, $22.20; Shelby, $17; Jewels, $1. Total, $324.84.

MT. VERNON DISTRICT.—Butler, $5; Clark's: Bloomfield Church, $11.50; Danville, $8.80; Gambier: Hopewell Church, $11.50; Galena, $1; Levering, $1; Mt. Vernon, $30.25; Jewels, $1; Roscoe, $17.75; Union Chapel, $15.75. Total, $103.55.

SANDUSKY DISTRICT.—Bellevue, $7.20; Norwalk, $26.75; Port Clinton, $16; Sandusky, $24.49; Tiffin, $41. Total, $115.47.

WOOSTER DISTRICT.—Albion, $6.61; Apple Creek, $5.25; Barberton, $8.80; Canaan, $8; Fredericksburg, $13.50; Loudonville, $15.25; Le Roy, $7.50; Ruggles, $14.25; Smithville, $13.75; Wooster, $40. Total, $132.91

Mite-box Fund, $2.82. Total, $2.82.

Total General Fund, ... $983.38.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.*—Berea, $6; Barberton, $5.25; Crestline, $5; Delaware: Asbury Church, $22.73; Cleveland: Franklin Avenue, $4; Galion, $2; Loudonville, $6.55; Mansfield, $5; New London, $5; Norwalk, $10; Roscoe, $10; Sandusky, $3.10; Shelby, $5; Wooster, $5. Total, $94.63.

Teacher's Salary, E. L. Rust Home.—Ashland, $2.50; Delaware: Asbury, $5; Hayesville, $5. Total, $12.50.

Oriental Work, San Francisco.—Tiffin, $25. Total, $25.

Utah.—Cleveland: Franklin Avenue, $20; Gordon Avenue, $2.65. Total, $22.65.

Total Special General Fund, ... $154.78.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Lucy Webb Hayes Home.*—Berea, $5; Bellevue, $10; Elyria, $25; Fredericksburg, $5; Mansfield, $1; Pavonia, $10; Plymouth, $5; Roscoe, $1.70; Shelby, $9; Wooster, $5. Total, $76.70.

Oriental Work.—Roscoe, $10. Total, $10.

E. L. Rust Home.—Bellevue, $3.28; Mansfield, $7.50. Total, $10.78.

Ritter Home.—Mansfield, $38.48. Total, $38.48.

Stickney Home.—Cleveland: Franklin Avenue, $25. Total, $25.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $160.96.

Special Fund.—*Asheville.*—Ashland, $35; Berea, $9.70; Bellevue, $6.51; Cleveland: Brooklyn Church, $5; Mansfield, $63.42; Mt. Vernon, $1; Shelby, $9.26; Mite-boxes, $19.58; Oberlin, $5; Wellington, $5. Total, $159.47.

Bennett Home.—Barberton, $5; Mansfield, $2.50; Pavonia, $1.10; By voucher, $5. Total, $13.60.

*Deaconess Home, Cleveland.**—By voucher, $229. Total, $232.

* See note, page 121.

Jesse Lee Home.—Ashland, $15; Bucyrus, $4; Cleveland: Jennings Avenue, $7.68; Clark's: Bloomfield, $2; Delaware: Grace, $2.40; Asbury, $25; Fredericktown, $2; Mt. Vernon, $3; Union Chapel, $7. Total, $68.08.

Total Special Fund, ... $473.15.
Grand total, ... 1,772.19.

Northern New York Conference.

MRS. R. A. FITCH, Treasurer, Lowville, New York.

General Fund.—ADAMS DISTRICT.—Adams, $52.47; Beaver Falls, $6; Belleville, $6.60; Copenhagen, $12.75; Lowville, $26; Turin, $10; Watertown, $41.25. Total, $155.07.

HERKIMER DISTRICT.—Frankfort, $22.50; Herkimer, $53.45; Ilion, $66.55; Mohawk, $3.88; Circle, $3.62. Total, $150.

OSWEGO DISTRICT.—Altmar, $3; Camden, $24; Fulton: First Church, $31.85; Jewels, $15.70; Tea-money, $11.90; State Street, $15.75; Hannibal, $13.50; Circle, 50 cents; Minetto, $24.44; Mexico, $49.05; Mt. Pleasant, $1; Oswego: First Church, $41.75; Band, $3; Oswego Center, $14.12; Trinity, $29.75; Band, $4.90; Pulaski, $26; Band, $2; Sandy Hook, $11; Union Square, Band, 75 cents. Total, $323.96.

ST. LAWRENCE DISTRICT.—Malone, $24; Morristown, $4.41; Ogdensburg, $40.25. Circle, $4.75; Potsdam, $17. Total, $90.41.

UTICA DISTRICT.—Clinton, $8; Knoxboro, $10.50; Circle, $6; Madison, $24.75; New Hartford, $17; Rome: First Church, $73.75; Utica: First Church, $44; South Street, $36; Jewels, $1. Total, $221.

WATERTOWN DISTRICT.—Antwerp, $4; Black River, $26.25; Belleville, $4; Carthage, $14.30; Clayton, $5.05; De Peyster, $5.25; Circle, $5.50; Depauville, $12.50; Evans Mills, $15.05; Gouverneur, $31.05; Jewels, $13.50; Harrisville, $9.50; Heuvelton, $4.83; Circle, $2; Philadelphia, $12.48; Theresa, $10.30; Plessis, $4; Watertown: Arsenal Street, $37; Band, $3.25; Queen Esther, $6.35; Jewels, $4; Collection at Conference, $5. Total, $235.16.

Mite-boxes, Leaflet, and Tea-money, $49.95. Total, $49.95.

Total General Fund, ... $1,225.55.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.*—Adams, $28.30; Black River, $3; Camden, $6; Carthage, $4; Copenhagen, $8.30; De Peyster, $5; Fulton: First Church, $5.17; Gouverneur, $16.04; Hannibal, $5; Ilion, $20; Lowville, $17.50; Morristown, $25; Minetto, $12; Mohawk, $1; Ogdensburg, $10; Orange: First Church, $23.81; Trinity, $5; Orange Center, $8; Sandy Creek, $5; Utica: First Church, $10; South Street, $5.20; Centenary, $1; Watertown: Arsenal Avenue, $31.05; State Street, $40.66. Total, $286.03.

Total Emergency Fund, ... $286.03.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Asheville.*—Philadelphia, $2. Total, $2.

Bennett Home.—Oswego: Trinity, $6. Total, $6.

Watts de Peyster Home.—De Peyster, $10. Total, $10.

Mothers' Jewels Home.—Black River, $5. Total, $5.

New Jersey Home.—Fulton: First Church, voucher, $4.50. Total, $4.50.

King Home.—Deansboro, $40; Madison, $2.50; Stittville, $5; Utica: First Church, $10; Voucher, $10. Total, $67.50.

Jesse Lee Home.—Arsenal Street, Esther Circle, $5.14. Total, $5.14.

Dulce, N. Mex.—Watertown: Arsenal Street, $5. Total, $5.

Ritter Home.—Adams, $10; Carthage, $5; Clayton, $50; Depauville, $2; Ilion, $40; Gouverneur, $5; Mrs. Knapp's Class, $10; Heuvelton, Circle, $10; Philadelphia, $2; Ogdensburg, $25; Voucher, $1; Watertown: Arsenal Street, $10; Without special credit, $5. Total, $175.

Lucy Webb Hayes Home.—Adams, $5; Camden, $5; Carthage, $1; Depauville, $1; Hannibal, $2; Lowville, $5; Harrisville, $1; Minetto, $5; Stittville, $5; Watertown District, $10. Total, $40.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $320.14.

Special Fund.—*Bennett Home.*—Oswego: Trinity, $6. Total, $6.
Bancroft Rest Home.—Ilion, $25; Oswego Center, $3; New Hartford, $10; Utica: First Church, $15. Total, $53.
Deaconess Work.—Adams District, $5; Black River, $2. Total, $7.
Frontier Work.—Rome: First Church, $12. Total, $12.
Harwood Home.—Oswego, 40 cents. Total, 40 cents.
Lucy Webb Hayes Home.—Evansville, $1. Total, $1.
Mary Haven Home.—Adams, $1. Total, $1.
Ritter Home.—Hammond: First Church, $1. Total, $1.
Rust Hall.—Mohawk, $1.89; Watertown, $5; Williamstown, $4. Total, $10.89.

Total Special Fund, ... $92.29.
Grand total, ... 1,924.01.

Northwest Indiana Conference.

MRS. WILLIAM P. BOYD, Treasurer, South Bend, Indiana.

General Fund.—CRAWFORDSVILLE DISTRICT.—Indianapolis: St. Paul, $26.40; Lebanon, $3.20. Total, $29.60.
GREENCASTLE DISTRICT.—Greencastle: College Avenue, $28; Young Ladies, $5.50; Terre Haute: Centenary, $61; Jewels, $2; Trinity, $24.25. Total, $120.75.
LAFAYETTE DISTRICT.—Attica, $8.50; Frankfort, $35.75; Lafayette, $33. Total, $77.25.
SOUTH BEND DISTRICT.—Monticello, $19.50; South Bend: First Church, $58.61; Mite-box, $1.25; Grace Church, $15. Total, $94.36.
VALPARAISO DISTRICT.—Crown Point, $8.20; Hobart, $9.25; Valparaiso, $41; Mite-boxes, $3.06. Total, $61.51.
Young Ladies' Conference Society, $6. Total, $6.
Mite-boxes, $10.31. Total, $10.31.
Leaflet, $1.92. Total, $1.92.

Total General Fund, ... $401.70.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.*—Frankfort, $5; Greencastle: College Avenue, $5.90; Lafayette: Trinity, $25, Band, $20; Monticello, $6.03; South Bend; First Church, $40.94; Grace, $5; Terre Haute: Centenary, $7.55; Trinity, $5. Total, $120.42.

Total Special General Fund, ... $120.42.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Jesse Lee Home.*—Frankfort, $62.50. Total, $62.50.
E. L. Rust Home.—Indianapolis: St. Paul, $40. Total, $40.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $102.50.
Grand total, ... 624.62.

Northwest Iowa Conference.

MISS HATTIE S. GOODELL.

General Fund.—ALGONA DISTRICT.—Algona, $32.50; Jewels, $9.43; Alexander, $7.75; Bancroft, $9.25; Britt, $26; Clear Lake, $28.75; Circle, $2.25; Corwith, $14.85; Jewels, 60 cents; Eagle Grove, $8.50; Garner, $12.25; Goldfield, $11.75. Total, $163.88.

FORT DODGE DISTRICT.—Alta, $17.25; Fort Dodge: First Church, $44.50; West Fort Dodge, $6.75; Hubbard, $9; Jewels, 85 cents, Circle, 84 cents; Manson, $19.80; Newell, $11.75; Radcliffe, $3.25; Rockwell City, $16.60: Storm Lake, $35.50; Circle, $7.85; Twin Lakes, $8.75; Webster City, $19.50. Total, $202.19.

IDA GROVE DISTRICT.—Arthur, $13; Jewels, $1.95, Charter Oak, $10; Deloit, $1; Early, $2; Galva, $17; Grant City, $5; Ida Grove, $8.75; Kingley, $14.75; Jewels, $4.40; Lake City, $12.75; Lake View, $11.50; Lohrville, $9.50; Silver, $16.75; Jewels, $1.10; Vail, $9.26. Jewels, $1.20; Wall Lake, $9.10; West Side, $15,05. Total, $164.06.

SHELDON DISTRICT.—Dickens, $21.90; Circle, 25 cents; Jewels, $1.70; Everly, $12.25; Circle, 87 cents; Excelsior, $1.25; Jewels, $1; Hartley, $20.50; Havelock, $6.25; Inwood, $21.75; Jewels, $2.75; Circle, $1; Lake Park, $2.50; Laurens, $11.50; Marathou, $20.25; May City, $1.83; Milford, $11.70; Jewels, $1.60; Peterson, $1; Plover, $8.75; Rock Rapids, $15.75; Rolfe, $15; Sanborn, 50 cents; Jewels, 75 cents; Sheldon, $21.40; Jewels, 20 cents; Sibley, $5.25; Sioux Rapids, $12.50; Jewels, 90 cents; Spencer, $41.75; Circle, $6; Band, 40 cents; Jewels, 50 cents; Spirit Lake, $2;—10 cents. Total, $273.60.

SIOUX CITY DISTRICT.—Calumet, $15.65; Jewels, $1.40; Epworth, $4.50; Hawarden, $1; Le Mars, $30; Marcus, $1; Peiro, $14.75; Salix, $11; Juniors, $2.50; Sioux City: First Church, $20; Grace, $27.75; Circle, $5. Total, $134.55.

Leaflet Fund, $8. Total, $8.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency.*—Britt, $5; Calumet, $3; Corwith, $1.50; Dickens, 60 cents; Exlcelsior, $5; Galva, $5; Garner, $5; Hartley, $1.75; Holstein, $5; Kingsley, $12; Lake City, $10; Le Mars, $6; Lohrville, $5; Newell, $5; Rockwell City, $5; Rolfe, $7; Salix, $8.37; Sheldon, $5; Sioux Rapids, $2.50; Wall Lake, $1.30; Webster City, $10.25. Total, $109.27.

Teacher's Salary, Miss Gibson.—Algona, $4; Arthur, $7; Britt, $1.50; Calumet, $2.50; Clear Lake, $4.43; Corwith, $4; Epworth, $2; Fort Dodge, $4; Garner, $3; Hartley, $3; Hubbard, Band, $1.68; Ida Grove, $5; Inwood, $7.73; Lake City, $1; Le Mars, $6.50; Lohrville, $2.65: Marathon, $16.07; May City, $3; Milford, $4; Plover, $1; Rolfe, $3; Sheldon, $3; Spencer, $3.78; Silver, $5; Twin Lakes, $1; Webster City, $3; West Fort Dodge, $7.16; Mite-boxes, $12.06; Collections and Conference gleanings, $18.56; Various Auxiliaries, $119.98. Total, $260.60.

Total Special General Fund, ... $369.87.

Beneficiary Fund.—Algona, $5; Arthur, $2; Williams, Epworth League, $2; Bancroft, $4; Britt, $1; Calumet, $7.50; Charter Oak, $5; Clear Lake, $3; Corwith, $3; Dickens, $3; Fort Dodge, $5; Galva, $8; Hartley, $3; Hubbard, 50 cents; Inwood, $5; Kingley, $3; Laurens, $3: Lohrville, $1.68; Manson, $3; Plover $3; Rockwell City, $2.60; Rolfe, $2.52; Salix, 65 cents; Sheldon, $4; Silver, $6; Sioux City, First Church, $5; Spencer, $8; Storm Lake, $10; Rock Rapids, $5; Vail, $5; Wall Lake, 25 cents; Webster City, $2.50. Total, $122.20.

The above is to be distributed as follows: Alaska, $39.65; King Home, $20; Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school, $4; Mothers' Jewels Home, $28.55; Stickney Home, $30.

Alaska.—Newell, $10.35. Total, $10.35.

Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—Calumet, $1; Charter Oak, $3; Cherokee, Epworth League, $2; Ellis, Epworth League, $2; Goldfield, Epworth League, $2; Fort Dodge: First Church, Epworth League, $2; Le Mars, $2; Livermore, Epworth League, $2; Plover, Epworth League, $2; Sheldon, $3; Silver, $10; Sioux Rapids, Epworth League, $2; Sioux City

Grace Church, $2; Spencer, $2; Epworth League, $2; Spirit Lake, Epworth League, $2; Vail, Epworth League, $2; Twin Lakes, Epworth League, $2. Total, $45.

New Jersey Home.—Everly, $1; Wall Lake, Mission Band, $5. Total, $6.

Oriental Work, San Francisco.—Garner, $8.60; Spencer, Circle, $21.45. Total, $30.05.

Stickney Home.—Laurens, $3; Rolfe, $5; Spirit Lake, $2. Total, $10.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $223.60.

Special Fund.—*Deaconess Home, Des Moines.*—Britt, $2.50; Clear Lake, $3; Ida Grove, $2; Inwood, $11; Marathon, $8; May City, $2; Mite-boxes, $5.73; Rolfe, $3; Spencer, $2.20; Webster City, $2; West Side, $4.50; Vouchers, $121.81. Total, $167.74.

Deaconess Home, Urbana.—Urbana, $6. Total, $6.

Mothers' Jewels Home.—Algona, $5; Sioux City: Grace Church, Junior League, $6. Total, $11.

Rust Hall.—Fort Dodge: First Church, $5; To name window, $10; West Fort Dodge, $1.78. Total, $16.78.

Total Special Fund, ... $201.52.
Grand total, ... 1,741.27.

Northwest Kansas Conference.

MRS. PARMENUS SMITH, Treasurer, Colby, Kansas.

General Fund.—CONCORDIA DISTRICT.—Bellville: First Church, $7; Mankato, $7.25. Total, $14.25.

SALINA DISTRICT.—Salina: First Church, $22.50. Total, $22.50.

Conference gleanings, $37. Total, $37.

Total General Fund, ... $73.75.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency.*—Mankato, $5; Portis, $3; Salina: First Church, $10.25. Total, $18.25.

Total Special General Fund, ... $18.25.
Grand total, ... 92.00.

Northwest Nebraska Conference.

Special Fund.—*Mothers' Jewels Home.*—Crawford, $10. Total, $10.

Ohio Conference.

MISS FLORENCE STRICKLER, Treasurer, 736 Oak Street, Columbus, Ohio.

General Fund.—CHILLICOTHE DISTRICT.—Chillicothe: Walnut Street, $34; Mothers' Jewels, $1.50; Frankfort, $38.25; New Holland, $15.50; Seldon: Mt. Carmel, $17.75; Slate Mills: Morris Chapel, $11.50; Washington C. H.: Grace, $19.50. Total, $137.90.

COLUMBUS DISTRICT.—Columbus: Broad Street, $79; Band, $2.05; King Avenue, $44.76; Mothers' Jewels, $3.40; Neil Avenue, $19.50; Band, $3; Third Avenue, $35.05; Young Ladies, $21.40; Band, $3.10; Town Street, $44; Wesley Church, $21. Total, $276.26.

GALLIPOLIS DISTRICT.—Gallipolis, $56: Jackson, $25; Racine, $5. Total, $86.

LANCASTER DISTRICT.—Circleville, $33.25; Lancaster, $17.25; Mothers' Jewels, 20 cents; Logan, $36. Total, $86.70.

LONDON DISTRICT.—Delaware: St. Paul, $51.45; Harrisburg, $7.25; Stratford, $9.25; Worthington, $18.75. Total, $86.70.
MARIETTA DISTRICT.—Athens, $14.50; Marietta: First Church, $45; Nelsonville, $16.75. Total, $76.25.
PORTSMOUTH DISTRICT.—Ironton, $31.25; Circle, $9.20; Mothers' Jewels, $8.15; Gift, $18.30; Portsmouth: Bigelow, $41.40; Band, $3.90; Circle, $3.50; Mothers' Jewels, 40 cents. Total, $116.10.
ZANESVILLE DISTRICT.—Malta, $8; Newark: First Church, $32.75; Zanesville, $39; Mothers' Jewels, $10. Total, $89.75.
Leaflet, $1.25. Total, $1.25.
Mite-boxes, $53,86. Total, $53.86.

Total General Fund, ... $1,010.77.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.*—Chillicothe: Walnut Street, $30; Columbus: Broad Street, $5; King Avenue, $10.18; Neil Avenue, $5; Third Avenue, $5; Town Street, $16.11; Delaware: St. Paul, $56.78; Ironton, $24.25; Circle, $8.90; Lancaster, $5; Logan, $7; Malta, $10.11; Marietta: First Church, $5; McConnellsville, $10; Nelsonville, 80 cents; Newark, $10; New Holland, $2; Portsmouth: Bigelow, $5; Slate Mills: Morris Chapel, $12.67; Stratford, $3; Worthington, $5; Zanesville, $45. Total, $281.80.
Teacher's Salary, Bennett Home.—Columbus: Broad Street, $60; Neil Avenue, $10; Third Avenue, $30; Circleville, $15; Seldon: Mt. Carmel, $1; Stratford, $1. Total, $117.
Immigrant Home, New York.—Chillicothe: Walnut Street, $25.70; Columbus: Broad Street, $40; Delaware: St. Paul, $5; Portsmouth: Bigelow, $10. Total, $80.70.

Total Teacher's Salary, ... $197.70.
Total Special General Fund, ... 479.50.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Bennett Home.*—Portsmouth: Bigelow, $10. Total, $10.
Davis Home.—Ironton, Band, $6. Total, $6.
Dulce.—Ironton, voucher, $2. Total, $2.
Harwood Home.—Chillicothe: Walnut Street, $23. Total, $23.
Jesse Lee Home.—Columbus: Wesley, Thank-offering, $8; Mite-boxes, $13 45. Total, $21.45.
Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—Ironton, $6.40; Band, $5; Seldon: Mt. Carmel, $15. Total, $26.40.
Mothers' Jewels Home.—Chillicothe: Walnut Street, $50; Missionary Chips, $3; Columbus: King Avenue, $100; Junior League, $1.20. Total, $154.20.
Ritter Home.—Athens, $8; Columbus: Third Avenue, $21; Golden Rule Band, $13; Young Ladies, $20; Town Street, $40. Total, $102.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $345.05.

Special Fund.—*Bennett Home.*—Columbus: Town Street, $10; Newark: First Church, $40. Total, $50.
Mary Haven Home.—Gallipolis, voucher, $1; Portsmouth: Bigelow, voucher, $1; Worthington, $1. Total, $3.
Mothers' Jewels Home.—Ironton: Spencer Chapel, $22.70; Marietta: First Church, $6.80. Total, $29.50.

Total Special Fund, ... $82.50.
Grand total, ... 1,917.82.

Oklahoma Conference.

General Fund.—Conference Auxiliary, $33; Conference gatherings, $52. Total, $85.

Total General Fund, ... $85.

Special General Fund.—*Teacher's Salary, Rent and Tuition.*—Voucher, $295.40. Total, $295.40.

Total Special General Fund, ... $295.40.

Special Fund.—*Harwood Home.*—New Kirk, $1. Total, $1.

Total Special Fund, ... $1.00.
Grand total, ... 381.40.

Oregon Conference.

MRS. J. E. BENNETT, Treasurer, 475 Tenth Street, Portland, Oregon.

General Fund.—EUGENE DISTRICT.—Ashland, $12.75. Total, $12.75.
GRANT'S PASS DISTRICT.—Roseburg, $1.50. Total, $1.50.
PORTLAND DISTRICT.—Hubbard, $1: Portland: Centenary, $16.85; Central, $10.50; First Church, $64; Grace, $20.95; Trinity, $6. Total, $119.30.
SALEM DISTRICT.—Albany, $2; Dayton, $7.70; Independence, $2; Forest Grove, $1; Oregon City, $2.25; Salem, $10.50; First Church, $14.50; Woodburn, $19. Total, $58.95.
Mite-box Fund, $10.12. Total, $10.12
Contingent Fund, 85 cents. Total, 85 cents.
Conference collections, $4.44. Total, $4.44.

Total to General Fund, ... $207.91.

Of above amount, $55.13 received by voucher for frontier work.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.*—Woodburn Auxiliary, $5.43; Mrs. Bishop Cranston, $5; Through Mrs. Spangler, $48.50. Total, $58.93.

Total Special General Fund, ... $58.93.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Stickney Home.*—Portland: Centenary, $7.25; Central, 50 cents; First Church, $54.93; Trinity, $6.50; Mt. Tabor, $6.50; Salem: First Church, $10; Mrs. Bishop Cranston, $5. Total, $90.68.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $90.68.
Grand total, ... 357.52.

Philadelphia Conference.

MRS. D. DAILEY, JR., Treasurer, 2120 N. Twelfth Street, Philadephia, Pa.

General Fund.—NORTH PHILADELPHIA DISTRICT.—East Allegheny, Circle, $4.50; East Montgomery, $5; Fifth Street, $15; Frankford, $116; Kensington, $40.20; Seventh Street, $1.10; Somerton, $14; Summerfield, $35. Total, $230.80.
NORTHWEST PHILADELPHIA DISTRICT.—Germantown: First Church, Circle, $68.80; Grace, $60; Jewels, $2.70; Band, $10; Park Avenue, $54; St. Stephen's, $28; Tabernacle, $48.30; Jewels, $2.30; Tioga, $24.85; Trinity, $35. Total, $333.95.
SOUTH PHILADELPHIA DISTRICT.—Arch Street, $57; Jewels, $3; Ebenezer, $15.55; Madison Street, $37; Media, Circle, $7; Prospect, Band, $12; Trinity, Circle, $15; Wharton Street, $38.85. Total, $185.40.

WEST PHILADELPHIA DISTRICT.—Calvary, $26.60; Circle, $5.25; Christ Church, $38.05; Centenary, $17; Fortieth Street, $5; Green Street, $34; Landsdowne, $29; Radnor, $18: St. Luke's, $6; Spring Garden, $67.20; Queen Esther Circle, $9.72; Band, 65 cents; Jewels, $2.21; Thirteenth Street, $32. Total, $290.68.
Without special credits, $4.18. Total, $4.18.
Leaflet Fund, 75 cents. Total, 75 cents.

Total General Fund, ... $1,045.76.
Of the above, by voucher, $450.05.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency.*—Calasqua, $5; Philadelphia: Arch Street, $17; East Allegheny Avenue, Band, $5; Germantown: First Church, King's Sons, $5; Green Street, $5; Madison Street, Chester, $5; Park Avenue, $5; King's Daughters, $5: Phœnixville, $5; Spring Garden, $25; Tabernacle, $10; Trinity, $10. Total, $102.
Teacher's Salary, Haven Home, Philadelphia.—Germantown: First Church, $200; Green Street, $2. Total, $202.

Total Special General Fund, ... $304.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Harwood Home.*—Philadelphia: Spring Garden, $10. Total, $10.
Haven Home.—Germantown: First Church, $40. Total, $40.
Ritter Home.—Germantown: Grace Church, $40. Total, $40.
Simpson Home.—Philadelphia: Arch Street, $10; Lady Huntingdon Circle, $10; Grace, Simpson Band, $40. Total, $60.
Thayer Home.—Germantown: First Church, $40. Total, $40.
Watts de Peyster Home.—Christ Church, Circle, $30. Total, $30.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $220.

Special Fund.—*Allen Home.*—Philadelphia: Spring Garden, $10. Total, $10.
Deaconess Home, Philadelphia *—Vouchers, $4,185.62; Bequest, Miss Hansell, voucher, $475; Interest on Goff endowment, $56. Total, $4,716.62.
Haven Home.—Germantown: First Church, voucher, $77.01. Total, $77.01.
Harwood Home.—Spring Garden, $2. Total, $2.
Immigrant Home, Philadelphia.—Voucher, $158. Total, $158.
Jesse Lee Home.—Chester: Madison Street, $1. Total, $1.
Rest Home.—Philadelphia: Arch Street, $10; Centenary, $10; Christ Church, $10; Fortieth Street, $12.50; Frankford, $10; Grace, $5; Spring Garden, $25; Voucher, $34; St. Luke, $5; Tabernacle, $5; Wharton Street, $5; Voucher, $15. Total, $146.50.
Rust Hall.—Philadelphia: Arch Street, $10; Frankford, $10; Nineteenth Street, $10; Park Avenue, $10. Total, $40.

Total Special Fund, ... $5,151.13.
Grand total, ... 6,720.89.

Pittsburg Conference.

MRS. A. R. INGRAM, Treasurer, 12 Sampson Street, Allegheny, Pa.

General Fund.—ALLEGHENY DISTRICT.—Allegheny: Buena Vista Street, $12.50; Calvary, $10; Circle, $14; Linden Avenue, $21.35; North Avenue, $43; Circle, $18; Union, $22.70; Beaver, $8; Bellevue, $19.25; But-

* See note, page 121.

ler, $37.50; New Brighton, Circle, $3.90; Sewickley, $29; Jewels, $9.80; Sharpsburg, $17.85; Tarentum, $16; Valencia, $4.50; Band, $4.50. Total, $291.85.

BLAIRSVILLE DISTRICT.—Apollo, $33; Blairsville, $27; Indiana, $27; Kittanning, $17.25; Latrobe, $18; Marion Center, $14; New Florence, $3.50; Willing Workers, $1.50. Total, $141.25.

MCKEESPORT DISTRICT.—McKeesport: Coursin Street, $12.75; First Church, $39.50; Scottdale, $46.56; Wakefield Chapel, $12; West Newton, $22. Total, $132.81.

PITTSBURG DISTRICT.—Pittsburg: Butler Street, $56.50; Centenary, $3.10; Christ Church, $59.35; Crafton, $23.35; Emory, $32; Young Ladies, $16.05; Lincoln Avenue, $25.05; Oakland, $46.05; Smithfield, $50.25; Washington, $23; West End, $18.80; Wilkinsburg, $41.50; Jewels, $7; Verona, $19. Total, $421.

WASHINGTON DISTRICT.—Washington: First Church, $5; Franklin, Band, $1.56; Jefferson Avenue, $48.75; Jewels, $2; Circle, $1.75. Total, $59.06.

Leaflet Fund, $5.50. Total, $5.50.

Total General Fund, ... $1,051.47.

Of the above half dues by voucher, $157.04.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency.*—Allegheny: Union Church, $5; Buena Vista Street, $5; Bellevue, $10; Bellevue Assembly, $6.13; Butler, $34; Apollo, $6.25; Pittsburg: Christ Church, $5; Lincoln Avenue, $15; Union, $20; Washington: Jefferson Avenue, $5; Wellsburg, Circle, $6; West Newton, $35.15; Sewickley, $25; Sharpsburg, $7.20; Mrs. Samuel Hamilton, $20; E. V. Robinson, $5; Miss Sutch, $2. Total, $211.73.

Teacher's Salary.—Alaska, $10; Ritter Home, Pittsburg: Calvary Church, $2. Total, $12.

Total Special General Fund, ... $223.73.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Haven Home.*—Allegheny: North Avenue, $8; New Florence, $5; Pittsburg: Christ Church, $2; Lincoln Avenue, $5. Total, $20.

Jesse Lee Home.—Washington: Jefferson Avenue, $20. Total, $20.

King Home.—Pittsburg: Smithfield Street, $20. Total, $20.

Oriental Work.—Washington: Jefferson Avenue, $10. Total, $10.

Ritter Home.—Washington: Jefferson Avenue, $40; Mt. Morris Church, $5; Wellsburg, Circle, $25; Wellsburg, $15; Mrs. A. B. Hanna, Pittsburg, $100. Total, $185.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $255.

Special Fund.—*Asheville, Allen Home.*—Pittsburg: Emory Church, $10; Washington: Jefferson Avenue, $10. Total, $20.

*Deaconess Home, Pittsburg.**—Cash, $16.25; Voucher, $417. Total, $433.25.

Coke Region Work.—Voucher, $171.42. Total, $171.42.

Deaconess, Local, Traveler's Aid.—Voucher, $56.76. Total, $56.76.

Dulce.—Apollo, Juniors, $5; Pittsburg: Butler Street, $5; Christ Church, $3; Lincoln Avenue, $5; Smithfield Street, $2. Total, $20.

Harwood Home.—Pittsburg: Emory, $10. Total, $10.

Jesse Lee Home.—Pittsburg: Emory, Young Ladies, $50; Scottdale, $25. Total, $75.

Kent Home.—Wilkinsburg, Boys' Band, $5. Total, $5.

Rust Hall.—Miss Carrie J. Carnahan, $250. Total, $250.

Total Special Fund, ... $1,041.43.

Grand total, ... 2.571.63.

* See note, page 121.

Puget Sound Conference.

MRS. W. S. HARRINGTON, Treasurer, Seattle, Wash.

General Fund.—OLYMPIA DISTRICT.—Aberdeen, $2.75; Bay Center, $3.90; Centralia, $2.60; Chehalis, $9.25: Fisher, $5; Gardner, $1; Gray's River, $6.13; Montesano, $6.13; Olympia, $8.87; Oakville, 88 cents; Ostrander, $1.25; Vancouver, $9. Total, $56.76.

SEATTLE DISTRICT.—Everett, $10.20; New Whatcom: First Church, $9.25; Trinity, $8.25; Snohomish, $2.25; Seattle: Trinity, $3; First Church, 50 cents; Without special credit, $17.53; Also received by voucher as half dues, $15.41. Total, $66.40.

TACOMA DISTRICT.—Tacoma: Epworth Circle, $7.50; First Church, $6.75; Oak Harbor, $2.40. Total, $16.65.

For Frontier Work.—Received by voucher, $7.50. Total, $7.50.

Total General Fund, ... $147.30.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.*—Gray's River, $5; Gift, $1. Total, $6.

Total Emergency Fund, ... $6.

Beneficiary Fund.—*To Stickney Home.*—Centralia, $3.70; Chehalis, $7; Everett, $5; Fisher, $4.10; Gardner, 60 cents; Gray's River, $2.09; New Whatcom, $6.70; Olympia, $2.03; Oak Harbor, $1.05; New Whatcom: Trinity, $3; Snohomish, 20 cents; Seattle: First Church, $3.80; Tacoma: First Church, $2.63; Vancouver, $3.45; Mite-boxes, $9.03; Without special credit, $11.17. Total, $65.55.

Lucy Webb Hayes Home.—Chehalis, $1.60; New Whatcom, 50 cents; Trinity, 50 cents. Total, $2.60.

Jesse Lee Home.—Bay Center, $1.80; Chehalis, $2.30; Gray's River, $1; New Whatcom, 50 cents; Olympia, 30 cents; Seattle: First Church, $4.15. Total, $10.05.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $78.22.
Grand total, ... 231.52.

Rock River Conference.

MRS. MARY S. DYCHE, Treasurer, Evanston, Illinois.

General Fund.—CHICAGO DISTRICT.—Chicago: Auburn Park, $20.50; Hyde Park, $27.60; Englewood, $21; Oakland, $109; Jewels, $7.75; South Park, $18.70. Total, $204.55.

DIXON DISTRICT.—Dixon, $16.30; Lighthouse, $17.50; La Maille, $2; Mendota, $7.75; Princeton, $34.25; Rock Falls, $21.05; Sterling, $7; Walnut, $8.50. Total, $114.35.

FREEPORT DISTRICT.—Embury, $17; Freeport: First Church, $21; Freeport District, $4; Galena, $18.75; Lanark, $7; Polo, $25.18; Taylor, $3. Total, $95.93.

JOLIET DISTRICT.—Aurora, $15; Batavia, $16; Joliet: Ottawa Street, $26; Morris, $25. Total, $82.

NORTH CHICAGO DISTRICT.—Evanston: Emanuel, $39.50; First Church, $58.05; Chicago: Grace, $22; Hemenway, $33; Oak Park, $15; Park Avenue, $12.70; Ravenswood, $25.11; Rogers Park, $1.25; Western Avenue, $15; Wheaton, $23. Total, $245.61.

ROCKFORD DISTRICT.—Belvidere, $19; Blaine, $2; Dundee, $14; Elgin: First Church, $17.25; Epworth, $3.50; Grace, $24.29; Jewels, $19.40; Ma-

rengo, $16.25; Nunda, $8; Rockford, $17; Rockford Union, $26; Woodstock, $8; Jewels, $6.50. Total, $181.19.
Mite-box Fund, $47.53. Total, $47.53.
Organizer.—By voucher, $9.62. Total, $9.62.
Deaconess Travel.—By voucher, $46.60. Total, $46.60.
Total to General Fund, ... $1,028.18.

Emergency Fund.—Chicago: Oakland, $10; Rogers Park, $6.12; Elgin: First Church, $25; Grace, $19.35; Evanston: Hemenway, $5; Mrs. J. H. Bayliss, $5; Dixon, $5; Freeport: First Church, $12; Galena, $5; Lena: Epworth, $5; Polo, $15; Princeton, $1; Taylor, $5; Wheaton, $5. Total, $123 47.
Total Emergency Fund, ... $123.47.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Jesse Lee Home.*—Dixon District, $35. Total, $35.
Thayer Home.—By voucher, $40. Total, $40.
Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $75.

Special Fund.—*E. E. Marcy Home.*—By voucher, $2,355.98. Total, $2,355.98.
Total Special Fund, ... $2,355.98.
Grand total, ... 3,582.63.

St. Louis Conference.

MRS. WM. WESTON, Treasurer, 3207 East Ninth Street, Kansas City, Mo.

General Fund.—FARMINGTON DISTRICT.—Cross Roads, $1; Lutesville, $1. Total, $2.
KANSAS CITY DISTRICT.—Kansas City: Grand Avenue, $57.80; Independence Avenue, $13; Twenty-ninth Street, $1; Odessa, $1; Life membership, $20. Total, $92.80.
ROLLA DISTRICT.—Houston, $1. Total, $1.
ST. LOUIS DISTRICT.—St. Louis: St. Luke, $1. Total, $1.
SEDALIA DISTRICT.—Lamonte, $2; Malta Bend, $4; Tipton, $2. Total, $8.
SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.—Billings, $2; Dadeville, $2; Phillipsburg, $1; Springfield: Benton Avenue, $9.75; Jewels, $1.70. Total, $16.45.
Without special credit, $18. Total, $18.
Total General Fund, ... $139.25.
Grand total, ... 139.25.

South Carolina Conference.

MRS. F. M. PRIESTLY, Treasurer, Greenville, S. C.

General Fund.—Charleston: Centenary, $1; Conference collections, $38.25. Total, $39.25.
Grand total, ... $39.25.

South Kansas Conference.

MRS. M. V. ROBBINS, Treasurer, Baldwin, Kansas.

General Fund.—EMPORIA DISTRICT.—Emporia, $12.65. Total, $12.65.
FT. SCOTT DISTRICT.—Ft. Scott, $10. Total, $10.
INDEPENDENCE DISTRICT.—Chetopa, $13.15; Independence, $4.65. Total, $17.80.

OTTAWA DISTRICT.—Baldwin, $13.50; Fontana, $1; Garnett, $9.25; Ottawa, $15. Total, $38.75.

Total General Fund, ... $79.20.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency.*—Fontana, $7; Emporia: First Church, $4.42. Total, $11.42.

Total Special General Fund, ... $11.42.
Grand total, ... 90.62.

Southern California Conference.

MRS. CHAS. A. SMITH, Treasurer, 264 Concord Street, Pasadena, California.

General Fund.—FRESNO DISTRICT.—Bardsdale, $6; Bakersfield, $5 Fillmore, $12.25; Fresno, $13.35; Hueneme, $16.75; Piro, $12; Reedley, $10.25; Jewels, $3.83; Sanger, $2.75; Jewels, 95 cents; Santa Barbara, $55.30; Somis Circuit, $1; West Saticoy, $8; Tulare, $5.25; Wakena, $8. Total, $160.68.

LOS ANGELES DISTRICT.—Alhambra, $16; Compton, $10; Florence, $9.60; Long Beach, $15.75; Los Angeles: Asbury, $21.50; Boyle Heights, $10.55; Circle, $12.50; Central, $24.05; Circle, $4.35; Central Avenue, $6.25; First Church, $79; Circle, $9.85; Jewels, $1.50; Band, $4.85; Haven, $9.50; Simpson, $17.75; Circle, $1; Band, $1; University, $38.25; Circle, $11.25; Band, $5; Union, $10.95; Band, $3.15; Vincent, $20.50; Circle, $9.50; Pasadena: First Church, $75.25; Circle, $9.50; Bands, $9.10; South Church, $1; Pomona, $49; Circle, $6.30. Total, $504.25.

SAN DIEGO DISTRICT.—Arlington, $15.50; Azusa, $5.75; Artesia, $10.75; Covina, $16.50; East Riverside, $9.25; Escondido, $9.15; Fall Brook, $2; Fullerton, $8.50; Garden Grove, $16.50; Circle, $8.02; Glendora, $20.50; Highlands, $7.70; Lordsburg, $12.50; Circle, $5; Nestor and Otay, $7.03; Ontario, $24.65; Orange, $16.25; Pialto, $8; Persia, $5.50; Redlands, $29; Riverside, $19.10; Circle, $14.50; Rialto, $8.25; San Diego: First Church, $42.95; West Highlands, $3.60; Santa Ana, $26.50; Circle, $8.50; Jewels, $1.20; Westminster, $7.15; Circle, $1.80; Whittier, $2.70. Total, $374.30.

Total to General Fund, ... $1,039.23.

Of above amount, $191.09 as half dues received by voucher.

Special General Fund.—*Missionary's Salary, Jesse Lee Home.*—Mrs. D. M. Welch, Los Angeles: University Church, $50.75. Total, $50.75.
Emergency Fund.—Los Angeles: First Church, $25; Ontario, $13. Total, $38.

Total Special General Fund, ... $88.75.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Asheville.*—Santa Ana, $20. Total, $20.
New Jersey Home.—Los Angeles: First Church, $5. Total, $5.
Oriental Work.—By voucher, $181. Total, $181.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $206.

Special Fund.—*Rest Home.*—Los Angeles: First Church, $5. Total, $5.
Oriental Work.—By voucher, $66. Total, $66.
*Los Angeles Deaconess Home.**—By voucher, $871.56. Total, $871.56.
Frontier Work.—By voucher. $1,858. Total, $1,858.

Total Special Fund, ... $2,800.56.
Grand total, ... 4,133.98.

* See note, page 121.

Southwest Kansas Conference.

MRS. J. W. KIRKWOOD, Treasurer, 325 North Lawrence Avenue, Wichita, Kansas.

General Fund.—DODGE CITY DISTRICT.—Dodge City, $6. Total, $6.
McPHERSON DISTRICT.—Marion, $8.75; Pleasant View, $8. Total, $16.75.
NEWTON DISTRICT.—Hutchinson: First Church, $28; Mitchell, $12.50; Newton: First Church, $37.50; Nickerson, $4.75; Sedgwick, $8.50. Total, $91.25.
WICHITA DISTRICT.—Coats, $32.75; Jamesburg, $18; Seltzer, $10.50; Wichita: Dodge Avenue, $12.95; First Church, $65. Total, $139.20.
WINFIELD DISTRICT.—Arkansas City, $15.20; Dalton, Christian Endeavor, $3.50; Burden, $6; Wellington, $25; Latham, $1.75; Winfield, $13.25. Total, $64.70.
Mite-boxes, $2.83. Total, $2.83.
Organizer's Fund.—By voucher, $53.41. Total, $53.41.

Total General Fund, ... $374.14.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.*—Arkansas City, $15; Marion, $6; Mitchell, $8; Newton: First Church, $35; Pleasant View, $10.25; Winfield: First Church, $5. Total, $79.25.
Missionary's Salary.—Arkansas City, $20; Burden, $5; Coats, $5; Goddard, $3; Marion, $5; Mitchell, $10; Newton: First Church, $20; Hutchinson: First Church, $24.30; Jamesburg, $5; Nickerson, $2; Sedgwick, $5; Seltzer, $8; Wichita: First Church, $44.20; Dodge Avenue, $10; Winfield: First Church, $20; Wellington, $10. Total, $196.50.

Total Special General Fund, ... $275.75.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Harwood Home.*—Dodge City, $5. Total, $5.
Jesse Lee Home.—Dodge City, $10.69; Conference pledge, $10. Total, $20.69.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $25.69.

Special Fund.—*Frontier Work.*—By voucher, $86.14. Total, $86.14.

Total Special Fund, ... $86.14.
Grand total, ... 761.72.

Troy Conference.

MISS HELENA IDE, Treasurer, 586 Fourth Avenue, Lansingburg, New York.

General Fund.—ALBANY DISTRICT.—Albany: Ash Grove, $18; First Church, $37; Grace Church, $15; St. Luke's, $15; Sharon Springs, $1; Trinity, $42; East Schodack, $9; Rensselaerville, $50; Schenectady, $72. Total, $259.
BURLINGTON DISTRICT.—Bennington, $19; Benson, $11; Bristol, $5; Burlington, $69; Cambridge, $1; Granville, $24; Hinesburg, $8; Middleburg, $12; Pittsford, $5; Circle, $4; Poultney, $16; Rutland, $26.25; Shelburne, $10. Total, $210.25.
PLATTSBURG DISTRICT.—Fort Edward, $13; Glens Falls, $35; Keesville, $6; Lyon, $1; Moriah, $4: Plattsburg, $58; Saranac Lake, $1; South Glens Falls, $14. Total, $132.
SARATOGA DISTRICT.—Ballston, $11.25; Cohoes: Remsen Street, $19.75; Galway, $10; Gloversville: First Church, $109; Fremont Street, $102; North Main Street, $27.50; Greenwich, $46; Johnstown, Circle, $30.50;

Jonesville, $22; Mechanicsville, $40; Round Lake, $27; Saratoga: First Church, $28; Washington Street, Circle, $33; Stillwater, $9; Willow Glen, $1.25. Total, $516.25.

TROY DISTRICT.—Dalton, $11.50, Hoosick Falls, $35.37; Lansingburg: First Church, $44; Hedding Church, $23; North Adams, $28; Pittsfield, $52; Circle, $3; Troy: State Street, $41: Fifth Avenue, $37; Pawling Avenue, $5; Trinity, $10; Valley Falls, $1.25; Band, $4.25; Watervliet: First Avenue, $11; Third Avenue, $10. Total, $316.37.

Gift, $60.40. Total, $60.40.

Leaflet, 86 cents. Total, 86 cents.

Total General Fund, ... $1,495.13.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency.*—Albany: Ash Grove, $3; St. Luke's, $10; Burlington, $11; Cambridge, $5; Gloversville: North Main Street, $5; First Church, $1; Greenbush, $5; Green Island, $5; Greenwich, $10; Lansingburg: First Church, $50; Hedding Church, $5; Mechanicsville, $10; Middleburg, $5; Newtonville, $5; North Adams, $5; Pittsford, $5; Plattsburg, $5.15; Poultney, $5; Newtonville, $5; Scheuectady, $20; Troy: Fifth Avenue, $20; State Street, $20; Watervliet: Third Avenue, $5; Westport, $5; Mrs. Martha C. Guss, $5. Total, $225.15.

Teacher's Salary, Immigrant Home, New York, $10. Total, $10.

Jewett, N. M.—Albany: Grace Church, $5; Trinity, $10; Place not named, $30.50; Round Lake, $8; Troy: Fifth Avenue, $10. Total, $63.50.

Las Cruces, N. M.—Round Lake, $8. Total, $8.

Utah.—Mrs. Griffin, of Greenbush, $10. Total, $10.

Total Special General Fund, ... $316.65.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Dulce.*—Rensselaer, $40. Total, $40.

Haven Home.—Johnstown, $10; Valley Falls, $30. Total, $40.

Kent Home.—Albany: Ash Grove, $5; Conference collection, $37.60; Gloversville, $20; Poultney, $2.40; Troy: Fifth Avenue, $15. Total, $80.

Mothers' Jewels Home.—East Schodack, 50 cents; Bennington, $2; Lansingburg: Hedding Church, $5; Watervliet: Third Avenue, $5. Total, $12.50.

New Jersey Home.—Gloversville: Fremont Street, $32.50; Johnstown, $20; Rutland, for Mattie Smith, $5. Total, $57.50.

Oriental Work.—Glens Falls, $10; Junior League, $5; Greenbush, Mrs. Griffin, $30; Plattsburg, $5; Troy: Fifth Avenue, $5; State Street, $5; Conference collection, $20. Total, $80.

Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—Lansingburg: First Church, $10. Total, $10.

Ritter Home.—Bennington, $5; Burlington, $15; Rutland, $5; Place not named, $7. Total, $32.

Simpson Home.—Ticonderoga, voucher, $14. Total, $14.

Watts de Peyster Home.—Conference collection, $25; Round Lake, $5; Troy: Fifth Avenue, $10; State Street, $5; Watervliet: Third Avenue, $5. Total, $50.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $416.

Special Fund.—*Allen Home, Asheville.*—Albany: First Church, $10; Conference collection, $15. Total, $25.

Dulce.—Albany: First Church, $30; Ash Grove, $5; Bennington, $5; Brandon, $5; East Schodack, $2; Gloversville: First Church, $10; Green Island, $5; Greenwich, $7.44; Hoosick Falls, $2.35; Jonesville, Junior Helping Hand, $3; Willing Workers, $4; Lansingburg: First Church, $5; Mrs. O. J. Squire, $5; Mrs. William Griffin, $50; North Adams, $3.71;

Plattsburg, $15; Poultney, $10.60; Rensselaer, $5; Rutland, $1.55; Schuylerville, $2; Troy: Fifth Avenue, $45; Voucher, $2; State Street, $10; Valley Falls, $5; Watervliet: First Avenue, $5; Third Avenue, $23. Total, $266.65.

Local Deaconess Work.—Troy: Fifth Avenue, vouchers, $48. Total, $48.

Jesse Lee Home.—Conference collection, $22; Glens Falls, $50; Schenectady, $18; Troy: Fifth Avenue, $10. Total, $100.

Mary Haven Home.—Conference, voucher, $5. Total, $5.

Rest Home.—Benson, $5; Burlington, $10; Conference collections, $89.37; Gloversville: Fremont Street, $5; Middleburg, $5; Pittsford, $2; Poultney, $12; Schenectady, $5. Total, $133.37.

Total to Special Fund, ... $578.02.
Grand total, ... 2,805.80.

*Upper Iowa Conference.**

MRS. R. B. VAN NESS, Treasurer, Marion, Iowa.

General Fund.—CEDAR FALLS DISTRICT.—Cedar Falls, $45.50; Clarksville, $13; Greene, $9.75; Janesville, $5.50; La Porte City, $22; Nashua, $3; Raymond, $11; Rockford, $3.50; Shell Rock, $7.25; Sumner, $4.50; Waterloo: First Church, $20.75: Grace, $40; Waverly, $15.50. Total, $201.25.

CEDAR RAPIDS DISTRICT.—Anamosa, $34.50; Cedar Rapids, $31.80; Iowa City, $25.15; Juniors, 90 cents; Jewels, 50 cents; Marion, $14.75; Mechanicsville, $10.50; Mt. Vernon, $36.25; Prairie Chapel, $10.25; Springville, $8.25; Simpson Chapel, $8.25; Tipton, $33.50; Traer, $5; Vinton, $13.95. Total, $233.55.

DAVENPORT DISTRICT.—Bennett, $2; Center Junction, $8.17; Clinton, $27; Davenport: First Church, $27; Circle, $5.85; Fourteenth Street, $9; De Witt, $6; Elwood, $2.75; Maquoketa, $13; McCausland, $4.50; Vernon Prairie, $5; Wyoming, $14.25. Total, $124.52.

DECORAH DISTRICT.—Charles City, $27.75; Jewels, 50 cents. Total, $28.25.

DUBUQUE DISTRICT.—Dubuque, $8.50; Delhi, $3; Edgewood, $5.75; Epworth, $20; Farley, $4.25; Fayette, $21; Greeley, $7.20; Hopkinton, $9.75; Independence, $9.75; John's Creek, $8.25; Lamont, $15.25; Manchester, $21; Prairie Center, $5; Strawberry Point, $2.75; Winthrop, $12.75. Total, $154.20.

MARSHALLTOWN DISTRICT.—Belle Plaine, $13.70; Blairstown, $8; Hampton, $29.25; Haven, $11.25; Mason City, $26.25; Morrison, $1.50; Sheffield, $11; State Center, $2. Total, $102.95.

Leaflet, 75 cents. Total, 75 cents.

Total General Fund, ... $845.47.

Special General Fund.—*Bennett Home.*—Clinton, $10; Farley, $6.60; Fayette, $7.10; Greene, $5; Hampton, $10; Hopkinton, $4.45; Independence, $4; Marion, 75 cents; Morrison, $2; Nashua, $1 50; Prairie Chapel, $5.35; Sheffield, $6.50; Tipton, $1.04. Total, $64.29.

Mothers' Jewels Home.—Iowa City, $31.10; Sumner, $12.50. Total, $43.60.

Emergency Fund.—Blairstown, $10; Cedar Rapids, $5; Cedar Falls, $2; Clinton, $15; Davenport: First Church, $5; Fourteenth Street, $5; Manchester, $27.35; Raymond, $5; Rockford, $5; Tipton, $10; Waverley, $5; Conference collections, $32.75. Total, $127.10.

Missionary's Salary.—Belle Plaine, $2.80; Clarksville, $4.70; Daven-

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port: Fourteenth Street, $5; Dubuque, $16; Hampton, $6.10; Hopkinton, $1.85; Iowa City, $20; Independence, $3; La Porte City, $5; Marion, $1.05; Mason City, $5.35; Mt. Vernon, $10; Raymond, $6.75; Rockford, $10; Sheffield, $4.50; Tipton, 84 cents; Waterloo: First Church, $21; Waverley, $10. Total, $133.94.

Total Special General Fund, ... $368.93.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Emerson Home.*—Anamosa, $13.65, voucher. Total, $13.65.

Jesse Lee Home.—Davenport: First Church, $5; Hampton, $2.50. Total, $7.50.

Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—Anamosa, $2.35; District Camp-meeting, $8; Dubuque, $8.50; Hampton, $10; Mason City, $9; Rockford, $3.50; Sheffield, $5. Total, $46.35.

Mothers' Jewels Home.—Sumner, $12.50. Total, $12.50.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $80.

Special Fund.—*Des Moines Deaconess Home.*—Voucher, $213.11. Total, $213.11.

Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—Hopkinton, $2.20. Total, $2.20.

Mothers' Jewels Home.—Lamont, $3.80; Sumner, $12.50. Total, $16.30.

Rust Hall.—Cedar Falls, $4.70; Iowa Falls, $2; Clinton: First Church, $4.35; Tipton, $3.22; Manchester, Mrs. J. H. Stevens, $35; Mt. Vernon, $10; Watertown; First Church, $6.50; West Side, $4.50. Total, $70.27.

Total Special Fund, ... $301.88.

Grand total, ... 1,596.28.

Utah Mission.

MRS. J. T. PIERCE, Treasurer, 454 Twenty-fourth Street, Ogden, Utah.

General Fund.—OGDEN DISTRICT.—Ogden, $3.25; Logan, $5. Total, $8.25.

SALT LAKE DISTRICT.—Salt Lake: First Church, $43.50; Second Church, $8.75; Iliff, $8; Payson, $6; Conference gatherings, $27.77. Total, $94.02.

Total General Fund, ... $102.27.

Emergency Fund.—Salt Lake: First Church, $13; Mrs. M. E. Spence, $5; Subscription, $3. Total, $21.

Total Emergency Fund, ... $21.

Special Fund.—Salt Lake City: Children's mite-boxes, $8.75; Herman's over-draft, $22.82. Total, $31.57.

Total Special Fund, ... $31.57.

Grand total, ... 154.84.

Vermont Conference.

MRS. F. W. LEWIS, Treasurer, Bellows Falls, Vermont.

General Fund.—MONTPELIER DISTRICT.—Ascutneyville, $14.75; Bellows Falls, $8; Bradford, $15; Brownsville, $5; Hartland, $8.80; Montpelier, $17.25; Northfield, $26.50; Randolph, $3; Springfield, $15; Windsor, $6.40. Total, $119.70.

ST. ALBANS DISTRICT.—Enosburg Falls, $17; Fairfax, $7.50; North Fairfax, $8.25; Richford, $16; St. Albans, $26; Jewels, 10 cents; Waitsfield, $2; Jewels, 20 cents. Total, $77.05.

ST. JOHNSBURY DISTRICT.—Barre, $23; Jewels, 40 cents; Cabot, $17.10; Groton, $12.25, Hardwick, $10; Jewels, 20 cents; Irasburg, $2; Circle, $1.50; Plainfield, $7.60; St. Johnsbury, $24; St. Johnsbury Center, $6; West Burke, $4; Williamstown, $16.50; Conference Treasurer, $4.64. Total, $129.19.

Total General Fund, ... $325.94.

Special General Fund.—*Salary, Boylan Home*, $5.50. Total, $5.50.

Emergency.—Ascutneyville, $5; Bellows Falls, $5; Northfield, $40; Irasburg, $2.50; St. Johnsbury, $20; Williamstown, $12.70; Waitsville, $1. Total, $86.20.

Total Special General Fund, ... $91.70.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Jesse Lee Home.*—Ascutneyville, $2.50; Barre, 66 cents; Bellows Falls, $1.38; Brownsville, $3; Cabot, $2; Fairfax, $2.41; Hardwick, $22.92; Northfield, $1; North Fairfax, $2.60; Plainfield, $2.82; White River Junction, $2; Williamstown, $1; Mite-boxes, $4.71; South Londonderry, $1. Total, $50.

Stickney Home.—Ascutneyville, $5; Barton, $7; Bellows Falls, $5; Hardwick, $18.13; St. Johnsbury, $5; St. Johnsbury Center, 80 cents. Total, $40.93.

Oriental Work.—Conference gatherings, $10. Total, $10.

Bellows Falls, 90 cents; Northfield, $3.80; St. Albans, $10.25; Hardwick, $5. Total, $16.20.

Of above amount, to Stickney Home, $7.20; to Jesse Lee Home, $9.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $117.13.

Special Fund.—*Jesse Lee Home.*—Without special credit, $14.66. Total, $14.66.

Asheville.—Conference gatherings, $10. Total, $10.

Lucy Webb Hayes Home.—Ascutneyville, 75 cents; Bellows Falls, $6; Cabot, $2.85; Hardwick, $6.59; Irasburg, 50 cents; North Fairfax, $2; Waterbury, $1; Wilmington, $3; Interest on Hargin Bequest, $7. Total, $29.69.

Total Special Fund, ... $54.35.

Grand total, ... 589.12.

Virginia Conference.

IDA N. BALL, Treasurer, Falls Church, Virginia.

General Fund.—ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT.—Alexandria: Trinity, $3.25; Herndon, $4; Falls Church, $11. Total, $18.25.

Total General Fund, ... $18.25.

Grand total, ... 18.25.

West Nebraska Conference.

MRS. G. F. COOK, Treasurer, Kearney, Nebraska.

General Fund.—KEARNEY DISTRICT.—Conference collection, $3; Kearney: First Church, $18.25; Loup City, $4.05; Loup and Kearney, $19.95. Total, $45.25.

NORTH PLATTE DISTRICT.—Callaway, $3; North Platte, $7. Total, $10.

Total General Fund, ... $55.25.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency.*—Kearney, $2.30. Total, $2.30.

Total Special General Fund, ... $2.30.

Special Fund.—*Mothers' Jewels Home.*—Lexington, $2; Through Burwell Spurlock, $48. Total, $50.

Total Special Fund, ... $50.00.

Grand total, ... 107.55.

West Texas Conference.

MRS. E. S. SPRIGGS, Treasurer, 731 Dawson Street, San Antonio, Texas.

General Fund.—AUSTIN DISTRICT.—Austin: Wesley Chapel, 75 cents; Belton, $2; Burnett, $2; Davilla, 25 cents; Kell Branch, $1; Liberty Hill, 50 cents; Luling, 50 cents; Temple, $1; Band, 65 cents. Total, $8.65.

COLUMBUS DISTRICT.—Alleyton, $2; Jewels, 50 cents; Columbus, $2; Edna, 15 cents; Flatonia, $2; Jewels, $1; Hallettsville, $3; Morales, 50 cents; Navidad, 55 cents; Oakland, 50 cents: Schulenburg, $1; Victoria, 65 cents; Jewels, 60 cents; Waelder, $1; Weimar, $1.25. Total, $16.70.

DALLAS DISTRICT.—Antioch, 75 cents; Blooming Grove, $1.20; Dallas, 60 cents; Jewels, $1; Denison, $1.85; Hubbard City, $1; Lancaster, 50 cents; Milford, 50 cents; Pilot Point, 50 cents; Sherman, $2.05. Total, $9.95.

SAN ANTONIO DISTRICT.—Belmont, 50 cents; Cuero, $1.50; Elm Slough, Jewels, 25 cents; Floresville, 20 cents; Goliad, $3; Gonzales, $1; Minion Valley, $1; San Antonio, $1.35. Total, $8 80.

WACO DISTRICT.—Calvert, $1; Mexico, $1; Mt. Zion, $1. Total, $3.

Total General Fund, ... $47.10.

Special Fund.—*West Texas Conference Training-school.*—Alleyton, $1; Belton, $6; Burnett, $1; Columbus, $1; Cuero, $1; Dallas, $5; Goliad, $1; Mexico, $1; Oakland, $5; San Antonio, $5; Columbus District, $1; Dallas District, $1; San Antonio District, $1; Without special credits, $11.10. Total, $41.10.

Total Special Fund, ... $41.10.
Grand total, ... 88.20.

West Virginia Conference.

MISS HATTIE LIST, Treasurer, 827 Main Street, Wheeling, W. Va.

General Fund.—Wheeling, through Mrs. A. J. Clark, $11. Total, $11.

Total General Fund, ... $11.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency.*—Collection taken at Mountain Lake Park, $25. Total, $25.

Total Special General Fund, ... $25.

Beneficiary Fund.—*To Kent Home.*—Wheeling: Thompson Church, $10. Total, $10.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $10.
Grand total, ... 46.

West Wisconsin Conference.

MRS. H. W. TROY, Treasurer, Platteville, Wisconsin.

General Fund.—ASHLAND DISTRICT.—Barron, $23; Rice Lake, $7.45. Total, $30.45.

EAU CLAIRE DISTRICT.—Augusta, $14; Altoona, $1; Bay City, $8.50; Eleoa, $4.50; Eau Claire: Lake Street, $26; Fairfield, $6.25; Hudson, $14.05; Hammond, $1.45; Merrillon, $2.45; New Richmond, $1.20; Whitehall, Circle, 70 cents; Mite-box, 76 cents. Total, $80.86.

MADISON DISTRICT.—Madison, $28.25; Mondovi, $7.75; Spring Green, $1; Verona, 25 cents. Total, $37.25.

LA CROSSE DISTRICT.—Baraboo, $21. Total, $21.

PLATTEVILLE DISTRICT.—Fennimore, $9.50; Platteville, $41. Total, $50.50.

Mite-box, $3.79. Total, $3.79.

Total General Fund, ... $223.85.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency.*—Baraboo, $16.50; Colfax, $5; Eau Claire: Lake Street, $11.20; Hudson, $5.70; Platteville, $10. Total, $48.40.

Total Special General Fund, ... $48.40.

Special Fund.—*Rust Hall.*—Platteville, $10; Conference gathering, $40.67. Total, $50.67.

Watts de Peyster Home.—Baraboo, $17. Total, $17.

Total Special Fund, ... $67.67.
Grand total, ... 339.92.

Wilmington Conference.

MRS. E. J. ROBINSON, Treasurer, 505 West Street, Wilmington, Delaware.

General Fund.—DOVER DISTRICT.—Dover, $10. Total, $10.

EASTON DISTRICT.—Chestertown, $18.50; Middletown, $29.50. Total, $48.

SALISBURY DISTRICT.—Salisbury, $25. Total, $25.

WILMINGTON DISTRICT.—Elkston, $26.75; Newark, $18.08; Band, $1.43; Circle, $6; Jewels, 80 cents; New Castle, $38.08; Jewels, $1.10; Band, $5; Rising Sun, Circle, $10; Band, $3.48; Scott, $58.50; Band, $3.10; Jewels, $4.70; Circle, $8; Silverbrook, $9.60; Union, $48.35; Jewels, $2.20; Band, 67 cents; Wilmington: Asbury, $35; Epworth, $24; Jewels, $2.50; Grace, $92; Band, $7.35, Circle, $20.50; Jewels, $7.65; Mt. Salem, $11.50; Jewels, 80 cents; St. Paul, $57.25; Jewels, $4.90; Conference gleanings, $31. Total, $540.29.

Leaflets, $1.75. Total, $1.75.

Total General Fund, ... $625.04.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.*—New Castle, $3; Salisbury, $15; Union, $15.91; Wilmington: Asbury, $6.50; John Wise Bequest, $50; Epworth, 10 cents; Grace, $18.47; St. Paul, $14.42; Band, $5; Scott, $5; Band, $3; Mite-boxes, $57.18; Wilmington District, $5. Total, $198.58.

To Navajoes.—Middletown, $5; Salisbury, $5; Union, $5. Total, $15.

Total Special General Fund, ... $213.58.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Harwood Home.*—Elkston, $13.75. Total, $13.75.

Jesse Lee Home.—Wilmington: Grace Church, $50; Without special credits, $10. Total, $60.

Oriental Work, San Francisco.—From mite-boxes, $30; New Castle, $1; Silverwood, $1: Wilmington: Asbury, $1; Epworth, $1; Grace, $5; Wilmington District, $3. Total, $42.

Stickney Home.—Wilmington: Grace, $40. Total, $40.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $155.75.

Special Fund.—*Asheville.*—Middletown, $5; Salisbury, $10; Wilmington: Asbury, from Wise Bequest, $5; Union, $5. Total, $25.

Italian Work, New Orleans.—From Wise Bequest, $10. Total, $10.

Navajoes.—From Wise Bequest, $10. Total, $10.

Rest Home.—New Castle, $5; Wilmington: Grace, $145; Band, $5; Union, $5. Total, $160.

Rust Hall.—New Castle, $5; Wilmington: St. Paul, $5. Total, $10.

Jesse Lee Home.—Wilmington: Asbury, $1; Grace, $5; Wilmington District, $2. Total, $8.

Total Special Fund, ... $223.00.
Grand total, ... 1,217.37.

Wisconsin Conference.

MRS. G. F. REYNOLDS, Treasurer, Fond du Lac, Wisconsin.

General Fund.—APPLETON DISTRICT.—Appleton, $39.15. Total, $39.15.
FOND DU LAC DISTRICT.—Fond du Lac: Cotton Street, $3.50; Life-member, $5; Division Street, $3; Sheboygan, $12.43; Waupun, $19. Total, $42.93.
MILWAUKEE DISTRICT.—Milwaukee: Trinity, $10; Washington Avenue, $15; Mothers' Jewels, $2.87. Total, $27.87.
OSHKOSH DISTRICT.—Oshkosh: Algona Street, $15; First Church, $16.25; Omro, $1; Junior League, $1.55. Total, $33.80.
Total General Fund, ... $143.75.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.*—Beaver Dam, $5; Milwaukee: Washington Avenue, $9; Oshkosh, $11; Waupun, $10. Total, $35.
Total Special General Fund, ... $35.00.
Grand total, ... 178.75.

Wyoming Conference.

MRS. FRED. H. HASKINS, Treasurer, 121 Murray Street, Binghamton, N. Y.

General Fund.—BINGHAMTON DISTRICT.—Centenary, $85; Jewels, $27.04; Chenango Street, $19.75; High Street, $23.50; Tabernacle, $71; Band, $1.25; Jewels, $10.70; Susquehanna, $13. Total, $251.24.
CHENANGO DISTRICT.—Norwich, $23.28; Oxford, $6. Total, $29.28.
HONESDALE DISTRICT.—Bethany, $6.70; Carbondale, $42; Dunmore, $14.75; Band, $2; Hawley, $19.25; Jermyn, $31. Total, $115.70.
ONEONTA DISTRICT.—Milford, $5; Oneonta, $7.25; Westford, $5.50. Total, $12.75.
OWEGO DISTRICT.—Clark's Summit, $21.75; Kingston, $36.75; Lackawanna, $17.85; Nanticoke, $5.50; Newark Valley, $11; Owego, $16.50; Waverly, $14.50. Total, $123.85.
WYOMING DISTRICT.—Nanticoke, $10.50; Providence, $10; Scranton: Simpson Church, $75.75; Jewels, $13; Elm Park, $70.15; Jewels, $3.50; Tunkhannock, $15.94; Band, $4.94; West Pittston, $13.75; Wilkesbarre: Central Church, $54; Jewels, $1.70; First Church, $51. Total, $324.23.
Leaflet Fund, 75 cents. Total, 75 cents.
Total General Fund, ... $862.80.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency.*—Binghamton: Chenango Street, $11.30; Tabernacle, $15; Norwich, $5; Jermyn, $5; Scranton: Simpson Church, $12.30; Tunkhannock, $10; Wilkesbarre: Central Church, $10. Total, $68.60.
Teacher's Salary, Bennett Home.—Wilkesbarre: First Church, Mrs. P. L. Bennett, $200. Total, $200.
To Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—Kingston, $1; Norwich, $6.50; Tunkhannock, $9.12. Total, $16.62.
To Navajoes—Bethany, $1.60; Binghamton: Centenary, $40; Tabernacle, $25; Nanticoke, $1.38; West Pittston, $16; Wilkesbarre: First Church, $50. Total, $133.98.
Total Teacher's Salary, ... $350.60.
Total Special General Fund, ... 419.20.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Asheville.*—Binghamton: High St., voucher, $8. Total, $8.
Bennett Home.—Wilkesbarre: First Church, Mrs. P. L. Bennett, $50. Total, $50.
Harwood Home.—Binghamton: Centenary, $25. Total, $25.
Kent Home.—Binghamton: High Street, $3. Total, $3.
Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—Owego, $5. Total, $5.

New Jersey Home.—Hawley, voucher, $16. Total, $16.
Ritter Home.—Owego, $40. Total, $40.
Thayer Home.—Binghamton: Centenary, $10. Total, $10.
Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $157.

Special Fund.—*Bennett Home.*—Wilkesbarre: First Church, Mrs. P. L. Bennett, $25; Central Church, $16.75; First Church, $180; Binghamton: Centenary, $20; Tabernacle, $12; Dunmore, $5.79; Lackawanna, $2.10; West Pittston, $14. Total, $275.64.
Asheville.—Binghamton: Tabernacle, $13.80; Hawley, $5; Kingston, $20; Nanticoke, $5; Tunkhannock, $5.84; Scranton: Simpson Church, $25; Wilkesbarre: First Church, $20; Wyoming Conference, $9.28. Total, $103.92.
Deaconess Homes.—Buffalo, voucher, $2. Brooklyn: Westford, $2.50. Total, $4.50.
Rest Home.—Binghamton: Chenango Street, voucher, $3; Wilkesbarre: First Church, voucher, $20. Total, $23.
Rust Hall.—Binghamton: High Street, $10; Tabernacle, $40; Carbondale, $8.25; Hawley, $10; Oneonta, $10; Scranton: Elm Park, $86.14; West Pittston, $1; Wilkesbarre: Central Church, $6.95; First Church, $50. Total, $222.34.
Total Special Fund, ... $629.40.
Grand total, ... 2,068.40.

Other Sources.

General Fund.—Advertisements in Home Missions, $8; balance returned to Treasury from E. Rust Home, $78.67; collection for payment of railroad agent at Baltimore, $13.75; Conference gatherings through Curts & Jennings, $195.50; Conference gatherings through Eaton & Mains, $178.40; Conference gatherings from Washington Conference, $51; Southwest Kansas Conference, $1; St. Louis German Conference, $40; Southern Illinois Conference, $28; Austin Conference, $4; excess of travel from missionaries, $36.55; Leaflet Fund, $2.50; L. W. H. memorial volume, $2; lunches at Executive Board meeting, $2.90; Mothers' Jewels, 30 cents; Norwegian and Danish Conferences, $9; returned to Treasury from Utah, $99 99; sale of mite-boxes, $51.18; salaries returned, $18.75; miscellaneous, 35 cents; excess of taxes, $40. Total, $861.84.
Total General Fund, ... $861.84.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency.*—Malden Center, N. Y., Miss W. H. Downing, $5; Troy, Pa., $4.56; Mrs. C. F. Paine, $1; Mrs. Bishop McCabe, $5; Jewett, New Mexico, $5; Readfield, Me., $5; South Chatham, Mass., $2; Yates, Pa., 50 cents; A. M. Smith Home, $2. Total, $30.06.
Teacher's Salary.—Salary returned, $16.65. Total, $16.65.
Total Special General Fund, ... $46.71.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Boylan Home.*—A friend of Missions, $50. Total, $50.
Harwood Home.—Bishop McCabe, $50. Total, $50.
E. L. Rust Home.—Surplus scholarship money, $64.54. Total, $64.54.
New Jersey Home.—Jerseyville, Ill., 20 cents; Blue Grass, Iowa, $1; Emma Mettler, Cleveland, O., 50 cents. Total, $1.70.
Stickney Home.—Thousand Island Park, $53. Total, $53.
Miscellaneous, $5.25. Total, $5.25.
Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $224.49.

Special Fund.—*Harwood Home.*—Furnishings: Laura Tinville, Cable, O., $5. Total, $5.
Rust Hall.—Through Mrs. Worthington, Buffalo, N. Y., $10. Total, $10.
Total Special Fund, ... $15.00.
Grand total, ... 1,148.04.

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS.

CONFERENCES.	GENERAL FUNDS.	SPECIAL GENERAL FUNDS.		BENEFICIARY.	SPECIAL FUND.	TOTALS.	LOCAL WORK.
		Salaries.	Emergency.				
Baltimore	$1,923 33	$295 44	$186 50	$586 56	$5,428 88	$8,420 71	$433 66
California	466 91	.....	28 00	1,052 94	2,363 82	3,911 67	222 85
Central Illinois	104 80	.....	34 00	47 00	.....	185 80	.....
Central Missouri	45 85	.....	5 00	.....	.....	50 85	.....
Central New York	1,616 10	.....	256 55	287 79	249 00	2,409 44	.....
Central Ohio	1,031 28	346 29	179 00	221 28	362 23	2,140 08	.....
Central Pennsylvania	885 57	100 00	101 50	404 52	817 50	2,309 09	104 80
Cincinnati	1,704 94	3 50	579 35	311 85	1,300 75	3,900 39	265 34
Colorado	380 67	.....	15 00	75 95	802 78	1,274 40	938 85
Columbia River	107 75	.....	.....	.....	.....	107 75	.....
Des Moines	162 21	.....	37 08	3 55	230 22	433 06	.....
Detroit	2,486 32	7 65	139 00	184 41	3,851 24	6,668 62	59 38
East Maine	17 00	5 00	.....	.....	45 00	67 00	.....
East Ohio	1,447 81	126 65	400 82	494 26	1,057 27	3,526 81	.....
East Tennessee	102 20	.....	.....	.....	.....	102 20	.....
Erie	1,198 31	310 76	112 58	240 00	79 74	1,941 39	77 54
Florida	49 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	49 25	.....
Genesee	1,386 63	5 00	222 60	189 87	888 28	2,692 38	255 40
Holston	89 64	.....	30 00	11 00	.....	130 64	.....
Illinois	692 59	93 34	137 06	116 40	501 19	1,540 58	.....
Indiana	801 74	12 00	104 22	170 70	355 56	1,444 22	.....
Iowa	523 97	5 00	33 26	363 55	91 64	1,017 42	.....
Kansas	248 85	.....	44 57	177 95	119 26	590 63	.....
Kentucky	99 70	.....	20 19	20 00	.....	139 89	.....
Louisiana	82 66	.....	5 00	.....	.....	87 66	.....
Maine	568 03	5 00	64 35	52 85	14 60	704 83	90 00
Michigan	1,031 56	374 83	62 50	285 80	1,018 93	2,773 62	.....
Minnesota	252 35	.....	64 69	477 93	15 00	809 97	47 70
Missouri	58 95	.....	.....	20 00	10 00	88 95	.....
Nebraska	370 10	.....	44 05	90 26	70 52	574 93	.....
Newark	1,459 17	5 00	199 50	593 26	1,306 57	3,563 50	732 00
New England	1,907 15	20 00	166 50	967 30	521 89	3,582 84	721 54
New England Southern	960 19	10 00	155 58	† 241 95	196 25	† 1,563 97	104 25
New Hampshire	190 00	5 00	158 85	299 98	7 50	961 33	.....
New Jersey	1,300 82	32 25	195 71	125 00	322 15	1,975 93	114 27

New Mexico English Mission	.....	.....	6 00	67 86	21 00	94 86	3 20
New York	1,083 06	70 00	132 00	1,181 92	977 00	3,443 98	.....
New York East	685 04	18 00	44 00	85 00	2,562 14	3,394 18	.....
North Carolina	4 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 00	.....
North Indiana	987 27	372 60	221 48	176 54	21 50	1,779 39	207 31
North Nebraska	299 57	9 20	51 62	28 81	50 22	439 42	109 70
North Ohio	983 30	7 50	147 28	160 96	473 15	1,772 19	.....
Northern New York	1,225 55	.....	286 03	320 14	92 29	1,924 01	58 45
Northwest Indiana	401 70	.....	120 42	102 50	.....	624 62	.....
Northwest Iowa	946 28	216 67	153 20	223 60	201 52	1,741 27	.....
Northwest Kansas	73 75	.....	18 25	.....	.....	92 00	.....
Northwest Nebraska	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	10 00	.....
Ohio	1,010 77	197 70	281 80	345 05	82 50	1,917 82	.....
Oklahoma	162 50	217 90	.....	.....	1 00	381 40	.....
Oregon	207 91	.....	58 93	90 68	.....	357 52	.....
Philadelphia	1,045 76	202 00	102 00	220 00	5,151 13	6,720 89	.....
Pittsburg	1,051 47	12 00	211 73	255 00	1,041 43	2,571 63	626 38
Puget Sound	147 30	.....	6 00	78 22	.....	231 52	48 35
Rock River	1,028 18	.....	123 47	75 00	2,355 98	3,582 63	.....
St. Louis	139 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	139 25	.....
South Carolina	39 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	39 25	.....
South Kansas	79 20	.....	11 42	.....	.....	90 62	.....
Southern California	1,034 08	50 75	38 00	206 00	2,800 56	4,129 39	.....
Southwest Kansas	374 14	196 50	79 25	25 69	86 14	761 72	47 18
Troy	1,495 13	91 50	225 15	416 00	578 02	2,805 80	126 05
Upper Iowa	845 47	241 83	127 10	80 00	301 88	1,596 28	169 30
Utah	125 09	.....	21 00	.....	8 75	154 84	.....
Vermont	325 94	5 50	86 20	122 13	54 35	594 12	.....
Virginia	18 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	18 25	.....
West Nebraska	55 25	.....	2 30	.....	50 00	107 55	.....
West Texas	47 10	.....	.....	.....	41 10	88 20	.....
West Virginia	11 00	.....	25 00	10 00	.....	46 00	.....
West Wisconsin	223 85	.....	48 40	.....	67 67	339 92	200 33
Wilmington	625 04	15 00	198 58	155 75	223 00	1,217 37	.....
Wisconsin	143 75	.....	35 00	.....	.....	178 75	.....
Wyoming	862 80	150 60	268 60	157 00	629 40	2,068 40	160 43
Other Sources	861 84	6 65	30 06	224 49	15 00	1,138 04	.....
Bequests*	12,806 70	.....	.....	.....	.....	12,806 70	.....
Annuities	2,550 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,550 00	.....
	$60,060 94	$3,844 61	$6,943 28	$12,922 25	$39,934 50	$123,705 58	.....
Loans	6,600 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	6,600 00	.....
Total	$66,660 94	$3,844 61	$6,943 28	$12,922 25	$39,934 50	$130,305 58	$5,924 26

* $575 of Bequest Funds appear in Beneficiary and Special Funds.

† $40 received by voucher should be added.

EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR.

Salaries, Travel, Current Expenses, Beneficiary Aid, and Special Funds.

SOUTHERN WORK.

Allen Industrial Home and School, Asheville, N. C.:		
Salaries,	$1,082 25	
Travel,	168 00	
Current Expenses,	100 00	
Beneficiary Aid,	363 69	
Special Fund,	1,786 20	
		$3,500 14
Self-help, Board, $342.33; Tuition, $236.82,		579 15
Bennett Home and School, Clarkson, Miss.:		
Salaries,	$780 03	
Travel,	119 51	
Beneficiary Aid,	292 30	
Special Fund,	316 89	
		1,508 73
Self-help, Board,		679 50
Boylan Home and School, Jacksonville, Fla.:		
Salaries,	$1,305 00	
Travel,	269 60	
Current Expenses,	370 00	
Beneficiary Aid,	429 75	
Special Fund,	20 00	
		2,394 35
Self-help, Board, $1,070.50; Tuition, $819.35,		1,889 85
Browning Home and School, Camden, S. C.:		
Salaries,	$1,280 00	
Travel,	278 34	
Beneficiary Aid,	243 50	
Special Fund,	141 00	
		1,942 84
Self-help, Board, $410.25; Tuition, $407.72,		817 97
Emerson Home and School, Ocala, Fla.:		
Salaries,	$640 00	
Travel,	154 50	
Current Expenses,	125 00	
Beneficiary Aid,	138 65	
		1,058 15
Self-help, Board, $441.49; Tuition, $117.30; Sewing-room, $24.24,		583 03

Haven Home and School, Savannah, Ga.:

Salaries,	$1,360 00	
Travel,	91 87	
Current Expenses,	540 00	
Beneficiary Aid,	265 76	
Special Fund,	131 51	
		$2,389 14
Self-help, Board, $804.25; Tuition, $372.20,		1,176 45

Italian Work, New Orleans, La.:

Salaries,	$644 00	
Travel,	67 00	
Current Expenses,	134 00	
		845 00

Kent Home, Greensboro, N. C.:

Salaries,	$359 00	
Travel,	57 82	
Current Expenses,	25 00	
Beneficiary Aid,	115 00	
Special Fund,	11 00	
		567 82
Self-help, Board, $155; Sale of Garments, $12.11; Gifts, $50.50,		217 61

King Home, Marshall, Texas:

Salaries,	$613 32	
Travel,	106 70	
Current Expenses,	150 00	
Beneficiary Aid,	200 00	
		1,070 02
Self-help, Board, etc., $1,218.82; Sale of Garments, $99.57,		1,318 39

New Jersey Home, Morristown, Tenn.:

Salaries,	$536 04	
Travel,	51 53	
Current Expenses,	70 00	
Beneficiary Aid,	289 25	
Special Fund,	125 00	
		1,071 82
Self-help, Board, $508.36; Sale of Garments, $12.61; Gifts, $25,		545 97

Peck Home, New Orleans, La.:

Beneficiary Aid,	$6 00	6 00

Ritter Home, Athens, Tenn.:

Salaries,	$565 00	
Travel,	60 20	
Beneficiary Aid,	1,412 94	
Special Fund,	1 00	
		2,039 14
Self-help, Board,		936 43

E. L. Rust Home, Holly Springs, Miss.:		
Salaries,	$746 05	
Travel,	72 72	
Current Expenses,	125 00	
Beneficiary Aid,	182 79	
		$1,126 56
Self-help, Board,		680 25
Simpson Home, Orangeburg, S. C.:		
Salaries,	$489 65	
Travel,	111 60	
Current Expenses,	135 00	
Beneficiary Aid,	240 50	
Special Fund,	20 00	
		996 75
Self-help, Board,		519 00
A. M. Smith Home, Little Rock, Ark.:		
Salaries,	$462 00	
Travel,	22 00	
Current Expenses,	200 00	
Beneficiary Aid,	73 00	
Special Fund,	25 00	
		782 00
Self-help, Board,		393 00
Mary Haven Home, Isle of Hope, Ga.:		
Salaries,	$320 00	
Travel,	54 50	
Current Expenses,	175 00	
Special Fund,	102 10	
		651 60
Self-help, Board,		55 00
Thayer Home, South Atlanta, Ga.:		
Salaries,	$709 25	
Travel,	69 25	
Current Expenses and Building,	600 00	
Beneficiary Aid,	302 00	
Special Fund,	54 50	
		1,735 00
Self-help, Board,		981 87
Utah Work:		
Salaries and Travel,	$2,085 82	
Beneficiary Aid,	207 50	
Current Expenses,	32 82	
Special Fund,	14 50	
		2,340 64
Spanish Work—New Mexico:		
Las Cruces—Salaries,	$480 00	
Special Fund,	6 00	
		486 00
Las Vegas—Salaries,	$480 00	
Current Expenses,	98 83	
		578 83

Spanish Work—Harwood Home, Albuquerque:		
Salaries,	$920 00	
Current Expenses,	15 00	
Beneficiary Aid,	426 36	
Special Fund,	173 80	
		$1,535 16
Self-help, Tuition, $184.50; Gifts, $6.50,		191 00
Indian Work—Dulce, N. M.:		
Salaries,	$1,140 00	
Beneficiary Aid;	101 16	
Special Fund,	389 00	
		1,630 16
Self-help, Board, $313; Other Sources, $201.50,		514 50
Indian Work—(Navajoes) Jewett, N. M.:		
Salaries,	$700 00	
Current Expenses,	150 00	
Special Fund,	51 81	
		901 81
Indian Work, Frontier—Ponca, Okla.:		
Salaries,	$390 00	
Current Expenses,	40 40	
		430 40
Indian Work—Pawhuska, Okla.:		
Salaries,	$510 00	
Current Expenses,	71 30	
		581 30
Stickney Home, Lynden, Wash.:		
Salaries,	$540 00	
Beneficiary Aid,	550 86	
		1,090 86
Yakima Indian Agency, Ft. Simcoe, Wash.:		
Salary and Travel,	$504 70	
Current Expenses,	50 00	
Beneficiary Aid,	127 09	
		681 79
Jesse Lee Home, Unalaska, Alaska:		
Salaries,	$755 00	
Beneficiary Aid,	913 26	
Special Fund,	7 10	
		1,675 36
Self-help, Collections and Donations, $424.68; Board, $108,		532 68
Immigrant Home, New York:		
Salaries and Current Expenses,	$1,928 25	
Rent (extra),	1,250 00	
Special Fund,	33 75	
		3,212 00
Self-help, Board and lodging, $1,110.55; Donations, $36.25,		1,146 80

Immigrant Home, Philadelphia, Pa.:		
Salaries and Current Expenses,	$375 00	
Special Fund,	188 00	
		$563 00
Immigrant Home, Boston, Mass.:		
Salaries and Current Expenses,	$1,188 00	
Special Fund,	262 06	
		1,450 06
Self-help, Income from Home,		231 25
Watts de Peyster Home, Tivoli, N. Y.:		
Salaries and Current Expenses,	$3,265 00	
Beneficiary Aid,	1,437 67	
Special Fund,	275 00	
		4,977 67
Self-help, Farm and Garden and Cold Storage,		1,048 85
Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school, Washington, D. C.:		
Salary of Superintendent and General Expenses,	$3,676 47	
Beneficiary Aid,	1,010 74	
Special Fund,	1,711 43	
		6,398 64
Local Receipts,		419 15
Sibley Hospital:		
Special Fund,	$834 37	
General Fund,	1,000 00	
		1,834 37
Mothers' Jewels Home, York, Neb.:		
Salary of Superintendent and General Expenses,	$4,558 27	
Beneficiary Aid,	552 09	
Special Fund,	352 57	
		5,462 93
Self-help, Products of Farm,		2,029 05
Glenn Home, Cincinnati, O.:		
Current Expenses,	$75 00	
Special Fund,	1,033 25	
		1,108 25
Self-help, Boarders,		892 42
E. E. Marcy Home, Chicago, Ill.:		
General Fund (voucher),	$971 46	
Special Fund (voucher),	2,471 23	
		3,442 69
Oriental Work—San Francisco:		
General Expenses,	$1,500 00	
Beneficiary Aid,	1,372 99	
		2,872 99
Oriental Work—Southern California:		
General Expenses,	$300 00	
Beneficiary Aid,	161 00	
Special Fund,	86 00	
		547 00

Frontier Work:		
General Fund,	$2,564 04	
Special Fund,	3,669 41	
		$6,233 45
Ukiah Mission, California:		
Salary,	$80 00	80 00
Pawnee Mission, Oklahoma:		
Salary,	$75 01	75 01
Key West—Spanish Work:		
Salary,	$90 00	90 00
**Deaconess Work:*		
From General Fund,	$2,571 07	
" Special "	23,223 38	
		25,794 45
Literature and Printing Accounts:		
Woman's Home Missions,	$112 00	
Children's " "	116 87	
Leaflet Account,	617 93	
General Printing Account,	1,950 85	
		2,797 65
Notes, Interest, Insurance, and Taxes:		
Bills Payable (Notes),	$17,850 00	
Interest on Notes,	1,810 85	
" " Annuities,	90 00	
" " Nashville Claim,	15 00	
Insurance,	1,290 97	
Taxes,	32 56	
		21,089 38
Organizer's Account:		
General Organizers,	$308 75	
Conference "	899 01	
		1,207 76
Offices' Expenses:		
Cincinnati, Ohio,	$1,526 50	
Delaware, Ohio,	1,212 78	
New York,	678 47	
		3,417 75
Miscellaneous Account:		
Attorney's Fees,	$366 25	
Field Secretary's Salary and Expenses,	494 36	
Bureau Secretaries,	464 85	
Miscellaneous,	1,832 12	
		3,157 58
Total Amount Expended,		$131,430 00
Balance in Treasury July 31, 1898,		3,733 85
		$135,163 85

* This item covers only the Deaconess funds that have passed through the general treasury. More or less of the income of each Home is received and disbursed by a local board. For a complete financial report of Deaconess work, as made by the local boards, see "Financial Report of Deaconess Homes."

GENERAL SUMMARY.

Receipts:

Balance from last year,	$4,858 27
General Fund,	55,502 13
Annuities,	2,550 00
Bequests,	12,806 70
Beneficiary Fund,	12,922 25
Special Fund,	39,924 50
Bills Payable,	6,600 00
	$135,163 85

Expenditures:

General Fund,	$64,647 29	
Beneficiary Fund,	11,415 85	
Special Fund,	37,516 86	
Bills Payable,	17,850 00	
Balance Forward to August 1, 1898,	3,733 85	
		$135,163 85

Amount Expended in Local Work,	$5,924 26
Amount of Board and Tuition Received and Expended in Homes,	17,486 75

Assets:

Estimated Value of Buildings and Grounds:

Southern States,	$146,300 00
Utah, exclnsive of Deaconess property at Salt Lake,	12,300 00
New Mexico and Oklahoma,	15,000 00
Pacific Slope,	12,000 00
City Missions,	131,300 00
Deaconess Homes,	178,800 00
Total,	$495,700 00
Invested Endowment Funds,	14,461 57
Invested Annuity Funds,	425 00
Cash Balance,	3,733 85
Total,	$514,320 42

Liabilities:

Loans,	$18,603 32
Endowment Funds,	4,972 97
Annuity Funds,	3,705 00
Total.	$27,281 29

List of the Bequests Received during the Year 1897-98:

Estate of John Wise, Wilmington, Delaware,	$500 00
" " Mrs. J. A. Jacokes, Pontiac, Mich.,	500 00
" " Mrs. Sarah Monroe, Joliet, Ill.,	150 00
" " Sarah A. L. Palmer, New York,	4,192 69
" " Ann E. Jones, Delaware, Ohio,	1,047 97
" " Miss Russell,	500 00
" " Belinda H. Dunton, Winona, Minn.,	940 20
" " Sarah M. Murray, Jacksonville, Ill.,	147 09
" " Catherine Childs, Albion, N. Y.,	100 00
" " Mrs. Smithers, Gallipolis, Ohio,	770 00
" " John H. Schultz, Morristown, Pa.,	189 00
" " Miss M. A. Derby, York, Maine,	494 75
" " Martha Amidon, Syracuse, N. Y.,	1,900 00
" " Emma Hammersley,	1,000 00
" " Lucy A. Williams, Pittsfield, Ill.,	950 00
Total,	$13,381 70

Annuity and Endowment Funds:

The Annuity Funds of the Woman's Home Missionary Society are the donations from elderly people, who stipulate that they shall receive, during their lifetime, an annual interest on the amount given. The Funds so held by the Society are as follows:

From a Friend,	$1,500 00
Mrs. Thirsa Baker, Jamestown, Ohio,	425 00
Miss Barbara Sutch, New Florence, Pa.,	1,000 00
Miss Martha Van Marter, New York,	1,000 00
Miss Hattie E. Brooks, Colfax, Mich.,	50 00
Mrs. Jennie E. Alger, Brockton, Mass.,	155 00
Total,	$4,130 00

Endowment Funds are gifts to the Socicty upon which the Society agrees to pay in perpetuity an annual interest for the support of some object named by the donor. These Funds are as follows:

Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school,	$333 00
Thayer Home,	667 00
Ritter Home,	2,747 00
Transferred from Credits to Ritter Home,	1,500 00
Wilmington Conference,	425 00
* Baltimore Deaconess Home,	2,200 00
* Brooklyn Deconess Home,	10,000 00
* Philadelphia Deaconess Home,	761 57
* San Francisco Deaconess Home,	800 00
Total,	$19,434 54

* These Funds are held and administered by Local Boards for the especial work of the Homes named.

REPORT OF THE AUDITING COMMITTEE.

To the President and Board of Managers:

THE undersigned, who were duly appointed to examine the accounts and funds of the Treasurer's office, respectfully report that—

1. They have looked through all the books, accounts, and vouchers for the fiscal year ending August 1, 1898.

2. They find the cash receipts, payments, vouchers, and cash in hand to harmonize with the books and various accounts.

3. A considerable portion of the business passing through the Treasurer's office is by voucher only, not always exact or in form, and occasionally impossible to harmonize with the footings. But that does not imply any error in the cash or accounts of the Treasurer's office.

4. The methods of keeping the books and the execution of the same are good, and have the commendation of your Committee, and the Society is to be congratulated upon having such faithful and efficient servants.

5. Your Committee respectfully repeat their recommendations in Item 14 of their report for 1897.

(*a*) All debts or overdrafts of Special Funds from General Fund account that are uncollectible shall be canceled, and not carried forward to account of the new fiscal year.

(*b*) Any surplus of appropriation not used during the fiscal year shall revert to the treasury, and a new appropriation be made in the future for that part of the work when needed.

(*c*) Balances of Credits to Special Funds not used during the fiscal year may be used the following year towards paying salaries of the missionaries in the work of the same Home.

6. The Committee also recommend that if appropriation from General Fund Account is overdrawn, and a balance stands to credit of Special Fund Account of same institution, then enough of the Special Fund shall be held back by the Treasurer until the overdrafts aforesaid are made good.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

MRS. GEORGE H. THOMPSON,
MRS. JAMES DALE,
RICHARD DYMOND,
Auditing Committee.

October 8, 1898.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF DEACONESS HOMES

Under the Supervision of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

There are no receipts reported corresponding to disbursements marked thus, * It is therefore not counted in the totals.

Baltimore:

Receipts—Balance from August 1, 1897,	$985 38	
Auxiliaries of W. H. M. S. and other Sources,	2,420 83	
Interest on Bequest,	65 14	
	$3,471 35	
Disbursements,	2,117 77	
Balance to August 1, 1898,		$1,353 58

Bancroft, Rust Home:

Disbursements,	*914 50

Brooklyn:

Receipts—Auxiliaries of W. H. M. S. and other Sources,	$4,241 87	
Endowment Received by Bequest,	10,000 00	
	$14,241 87	
Disbursements,	4,241 87	
Balance to August 1, 1898,		10,000 00

Buffalo:

Receipts—Balance from August 1, 1897,	$1,049 34	
Auxiliaries of W. H. M. S. and other Sources,	2,548 34	
	$3,597 68	
Disbursements,	2,881 34	
Balance to August 1, 1898,		716 34

Cleveland:

Receipts—Balance from August 1, 1897,	
Auxiliaries of W. H. M. S. and other Sources,	
Disbursements,	*2,067 08
Balance to August 1, 1898,	

Denver:		
Receipts—Auxiliaries of W. H. M. S. and other Sources,	$326 01	
Deficit,	25 19	
	$351 20	
Disbursements,	351 20	
Des Moines:		
Receipts—Balance from August 1, 1897,	$22 11	
Auxiliaries of W. H. M. S. and other Sources,	1,333 82	
	$1,355 93	
Disbursements,	1,289 91	
Balance to August 1, 1898,		66 02
Detroit:		
Receipts—Auxiliaries of W. H. M. S. and other Sources,	$2,068 86	
Loan,	437 70	
	$2,506 56	
Disbursements,	2,506 56	
Grand Rapids:		
Receipts—Balance from August 1, 1897,	$36 06	
Auxiliaries of W. H. M. S. and other Sources,	967 61	
	$1,003 67	
Disbursements,	989 15	
Balance to August 1, 1898,		14 52
Jersey City:		
Receipts—Auxiliaries of W. H. M. S. and other Sources,	$706 95	
Disbursements,	653 39	
Balance to August 1, 1898,		53 56
Knoxville:		
Disbursements,		*280 90
Los Angeles and Pasadena:		
Receipts—Balance from last year,	$63 53	
Auxiliaries of W. H. M. S. and other Sources,	717 81	
Bequest,	168 00	
	$949 34	
Disbursements,	924 72	
Balance to August 1, 1898,		24 62

Mt. Carmel:		
Receipts—Collections and other Sources,	$479 18	
Disbursements,	442 38	
Balance to August 1, 1898,		36 80
Philadelphia:		
Receipts—Auxiliaries of W. H. M. S. and other Sources,	$4,693 24	
Bequest of Miss M. Hansel,	475 00	
	$5,168 24	
Disbursements,		5,168 24
Pittsburg:		
Receipts—Balance from August 1, 1897,	$112 80	
Auxiliaries of W. H. M. S. and other Sources,	1,744 95	
	$1,857 75	
Disbursements,	1,788 24	
Balance to August 1, 1898,		69 51
San Francisco:		
Receipts—Balance from August 1, 1897,	$56 90	
Auxiliaries of W. H. M. S. and other Sources,	1,124 82	
Students' Board,	821 00	
Interest on Sims bequest,	72 00	
Scholarship Fund,	335 00	
	$2,409 72	
Disbursements,	2,340 97	
Balance to August 1, 1898,		68 75
Shamokin:		
Disbursements,		*307 00
Urbana, Ill.:		
Receipts—Auxiliaries of W. H. M. S. and other Sources,	$1,446 98	
Bequest,	5,000 00	
	$6,446 98	
Disbursements,	1,170 22	
Balance to August 1, 1898,		5,276 76
Total Receipts,		$44,552 42
Total Disbursements,		26,871 96
Balance in Treasury August 1, 1898,		$17,680 56

VALUATION OF PROPERTY OF THE DEACONESS HOMES,

ALLIED WITH THE WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

(This property is in most instances held by Local Boards.)

	ASSETS.	LIABILITIES.
Aldrich Memorial	$15,000 00	.....
Baltimore: Real Estate, $7,200; Personalty, $900; Endowment, $3,500	11,600 00	.....
Bancroft Rest Home: Real Estate	10,838 00	$6,975 00
Brooklyn: Real Estate,* $25,000; Personalty, $2,000; Endowment, $10,000	37,000 00	.....
Buffalo: Real Estate, $12,000; Personalty, $2,000	14,000 00	3,000 00
Cleveland: Real Estate, $10,000; Personalty, $1,200	11,200 00	.....
Cunningham: Real Estate, $15,000; Personalty, $1,000; Cash, $6,446.22	22,446 22	800 00
Denver: Personalty	350 00	.....
Detroit: Real Estate, $10,000; Personalty, $800	10,800 00	5,000 00
Des Moines: Real Estate, $4,000; Personalty, $1,000	5,000 00	875 00
Knoxville: Personalty	200 00	.....
Los Angeles: Personalty	300 00	.....
Newark: Personalty	400 00	.....
Philadelphia: Real Estate, $22,000; Personalty, $3,000; Endowment, $761.57	25,761 57	.....
Pittsburg: Real Estate, $10,500; Personalty, $3,000	13,500 00	.....
Salt Lake City: Real Estate	5 000 00	.....
San Francisco: Personalty, $500; Endowment, $1,000	1,500 00	.....
Sibley Memorial Hospital: Real Estate, $10,000; Personalty, $1,000	11,000 00	.....
Washington: Deaconess Home and Training-school	40,262 00	8,000 00
Wichita: Personalty	300 00	.....
Wilmington, Delaware	300 00	.....
Total	$236,757 79	$24,650 00
Excess of Assets	$212,107 79	.....

* The title of this real estate is held by the Brooklyn Church Extension Society.

BUREAU FOR SUPPLIES.

CONFERENCES.		CONFERENCES.	
Baltimore,	$1,973 45	New York East,	$2,515 15
California,	3,324 33	North Indiana,	1,955 03
Central Illinois,	1,715 32	North Nebraska,	610 72
Central New York,	2,439 54	North Ohio,	1,631 71
Central Ohio,	879 29	Northern New York,	1,804 52
Central Pennsylvania,	1,695 32	Northwest Indiana,	259 92
Cincinnati,	1,768 28	Northwest Iowa,	206 30
Colorado,	1,053 61	Ohio,	1,267 81
Detroit,	1,733 66	Oregon,	300 00
East Ohio,	1,930 07	Philadelphia,	1,528 79
Erie,	1,965 30	Pittsburg,	2,537 61
Genesee,	4,190 17	Rock River,	1,565 77
Illinois,	1,116 93	St. Louis,	106 50
Indiana,	719 84	South Kansas,	73 05
Iowa	505 87	Troy,	1,719 17
Kansas,	483 71	Upper Iowa,	1,125 39
Kentucky,	75 30	Vermont,	900 00
Maine,	693 00	West Wisconsin,	88 85
Minnesota,	477 50	Wilmington,	561 38
Missouri,	128 83	Wyoming,	1,339 84
Newark,	1,729 48	Las Vegas, New Mexico,	7 55
New England	2,576 04	A friend, for sick ministers	75 00
New England Southern,	949 95	Not classified,	121 48
New Hampshire,	703 86	Vouchers from Treasurer,	172 78
New Jersey,	2,534 55		
New York,	4,450 28	Total,	$64,287 80

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CONSTITUTION

OF THE

Woman's Home Missionary Society

OF THE

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL CONFERENCE OF 1884.

ARTICLE I.—Name.

THIS organization shall be known as the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

ARTICLE II.—Objects.

The aim of this Society shall be to enlist and organize the efforts of Christian women in behalf of the needy and destitute women and children of all sections of our country, without distinction of race, and to co-operate with the other societies and agencies of the Church in educational and missionary work.

ARTICLE III.—Organization.

SECTION 1. The officers of the Society shall be a President, five Vice-Presidents, a Corresponding and a Recording Secretary, a Treasurer, and twelve Resident Managers, who, together, shall constitute the General Executive Board, and reside in, or not remote from, the city of Cincinnati.

SEC. 2. The annual meetings of the Board of Managers shall be held in the city of Cincinnati, unless otherwise provided, and shall consist of the General Executive Board, together with the Corresponding Secretary and one delegate from each Conference.

SEC. 3. The work of the annual session shall be:

(1.) To elect the General Executive Board for the ensuing year.

(2.) To take into consideration the demands of the entire work of the Society, designating fields of labor, examining the reports of missionaries already employed, and selecting beneficiaries; to estimate the needs of the mission-fields, determine the amounts to be raised, and to devise means for carrying forward the work of the Society; to appropriate its receipts in accordance with the purposes and methods herein indicated; to arrange with the several Conference Secretaries the work to be undertaken by each Conference, and, until such time as the Conference organizations are complete, to appoint a suitable person to fill the place of Corresponding Secretary of the Conference work in the several Conferences.

(3.) To transact any other business that the interests of the Society may demand; provided all its plans and directions shall be in harmony with this Constitution.

SEC. 4. In the event of a vacancy in the General Executive Board occurring *ad interim*, the place shall be filled by the Executive Board.

SEC. 5. The General Executive Board shall meet quarterly, or oftener, at the call of the President and Recording Secretary, and seven shall constitute a quorum to do business.

SEC. 6. The duties of the General Executive Board shall be:

(1.) To execute all orders of the Board of Managers.

(2.) To determine all matters referred to them by the Board.

(3.) To administer all the affairs of the Society between the annual sessions of the Board of Managers.

SEC. 7. The duties of the President, Vice-Presidents, and Recording Secretary shall be such as usually devolve upon such officers.

SEC. 8. The duty of the Corresponding Secretary shall be to make herself acquainted with the needs and opportunities of the mission-field, to correspond with missionaries and with the Conference Secretaries, and to furnish the Conference Boards with all needful information; also to secure from them the details of their work, which will be necessary to make quarterly reports to the Executive Board and annual reports to the Board of Managers concerning the condition and needs of the mission-field, and publish the same for the information of the membership.

SEC. 9. The Treasurer shall keep a regular account of the receipts and disbursements of the Society, report the state of the funds at the Annual Meeting and at each regular meeting of the Executive Board, pay only such bills as it shall direct, each order being signed by the President and Recording Secretary, and she shall make such disposition of the funds in her hands as the Executive Board may approve. At the close of the year the accounts shall be audited by a competent person selected for the purpose.

ARTICLE IV.—Conference Organization.

SECTION 1. A Conference Society shall consist of all the Auxiliary Societies in a given Conference, together with a Conference Executive Board. It shall take the name of the Conference in which it is located.

SEC. 2. The officers of the Conference Society shall be a President, one Vice-President, and one or more Managers from each presiding elder's district, a Corresponding and a Recording Secretary, and a Treasurer (the Corresponding Secretary may also be the Treasurer). These officers shall constitute the Executive Board of the Conference Society for the administration of the affairs of the Society, and five shall constitute a quorum. These officers shall be selected at the Annual Meeting, and hold office till others are chosen.

SEC. 3. The duties of the Executive Board shall be:

To co-operate in plans for the permanent establishment of the Society within the Conference bounds; to provide for an Annual Meeting and arrange anniversary exercises; and to transact any other business that the interests of the Society may demand, provided its action is in harmony with this Constitution.

SEC. 4. (1.) The duties of the President and Recording Secretary shall be such as usually appertain to their respective offices, and to co-operate with the Corresponding Secretary, Vice-Presidents, Managers, and Treasurer in organizing and conducting the work.

(2.) The duties of the Vice-Presidents and Managers shall be to organize Auxiliaries in their respective districts, and by all proper means to awaken missionary interest and zeal.

(3.) The duties of the Corresponding Secretary shall be to attend the session of the Annual Conference; to endeavor to interest ministers and ladies in the work of the Society; to organize Auxiliary Societies in the various charges in the Conference, and, as soon as practicable, to effect a Conference organization in harmony with the Constitution; to conduct the correspondence of the Society with the General Executive Board, with Auxiliary Societies within the Conference, with such missionaries in the field and beneficiaries in the schools as are supported by the Conference; to forward quarterly to the Corresponding Secretary of the General Exec-

utive Board a full statement of the work of the Conference Society, and to present an annual report to the Board of Managers at the Annual Meeting.

(4.) The duty of the Treasurer, who may also be Corresponding Secretary, shall be to receive and forward all funds of the Society monthly, keeping a book account, and to make a quarterly report of the same to the Treasurer of the General Executive Board.

SEC. 5.—**Special Work.**—Individuals, Auxiliaries, or Conference Societies may, subject to the approval of the Conference Board and of the General Executive Board, select special fields of labor, and provide for the support of missionaries therein employed, and they may also educate beneficiaries selected by themselves.

ARTICLE V.—Auxiliary Societies.

SECTION 1. Ten or more women who shall organize under the Constitution and By-laws for Auxiliaries, and pay their annual dues, thereby become a Society auxiliary to the Conference Society, and are entitled to one delegate to the Annual Meeting of the Conference Board. And the pastor shall report the collections of this Society at the Annual Conference.

SEC. 2. Auxiliary Societies, or local Committees, when there is no Conference Society yet established, shall report to the Conference Secretary appointed by the General Executive Board. When there is no Secretary in the Conference within the territorial bounds of which they are, they shall report to the Treasurer and Corresponding Secretary of the General Executive Board.

ARTICLE VI.—Membership.

The payment of one dollar annually shall constitute membership, and twenty dollars life membership. Any person paying one hundred dollars shall become an Honorary Manager for life, and the contribution of three hundred dollars shall constitute the donor an Honorary Patron for life.

ARTICLE VII.—Relations to Other Branches of Church Work.

SECTION 1. This Society will engage exclusively in missionary labor in our own land, and it will work in harmony with the connectional societies of the Church.

a. The appointment, employment, and remuneration of its missionaries shall be subject to the approval of the Board of Managers of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

b. The fields of labor and the general plans and designs of work of this Society shall be subject to the approval of the Board of Managers of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

c. All the missionaries supported by the Woman's Home Missionary Society shall labor under the direction of the authorities of the Missionary Society, and if in a mission, shall be subject to the same rules and regulations that govern the other missionaries in that particular mission.

SEC. 2. The funds of the Woman's Home Missionary Society shall not be raised by collections, nor by subscriptions taken during any regular Church service, nor in Sunday-schools, but shall be raised by securing members, life members, honorary members, managers, and patrons, by collections taken in audiences convened in the interests of the Society, and by other methods (such as fairs, festivals, lectures, etc.) which will not interfere with the collections and contributions for the treasury of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church; and the amounts so collected shall be reported to the Annual Conference through the preachers in charge, in order that they may be entered among the benevolent collections and published in the Annual and General Minutes.

SEC. 3. The Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church may act as the Trustee of the Woman's Home Missionary Society in all matters of legacies, and in holding for it real estate or other trusts, as the Woman's Home Missionary Society may desire.

SEC. 4. The Annual Meeting of the Board of Managers of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, which determines its work for the year, shall be so arranged that its plans may be submitted to the authorities of the Missionary Society for approval, at their Annual Meeting in November.

ARTICLE VIII.

This Constitution may be changed by the General Conference. Amendments to the Constitution may be proposed at any Annual Meeting of the Board of Managers by a two-thirds vote of the members present, a three-months' notice of the proposed change having been sent to each Conference organization, and published in the Church papers.

BY-LAWS OF THE WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

I

ANNUAL MEETING.

1. THE President and the Corresponding and Recording Secretaries of the Society shall fix the time and place of the Annual Meeting, unless this has been done at a previous Annual Meeting.

2. A committee of five, appointed by the Board of Trustees, shall prepare a program of exercises and an order of business for the Annual Meeting, and announce the time and place of the meeting in the Church papers.

3. All Officers of the Society shall be nominated by ballot, and elected by ballot, in open session.

4. The appropriations of the Society shall be made by the General Board of Managers, acting as a Committee of the Whole.

II.

BUREAUS.

1. The mission-fields and departments of work shall be placed in charge of Bureaus, each consisting of a Secretary and such Assistants as are nominated by the Secretary of the Bureau, and elected by the Board of Trustees.

2. Each Bureau shall have the responsibility, in its own field, of executing the plans and applying the funds as ordered by the General Board of Managers, and supervised by the Board of Trustees.

3. The duty of the Secretary of the Bureau shall be to supervise the work, secure conformity to the rules for mission work approved by the General Board of Managers, and report quarterly or oftener to the Board of Trustees.

4. The Bureaus shall be: (1) Georgia; (2) Florida; (3) East Central States; (4) West Central States; (5) Mississippi; (6) West Southern States; (7) Texas; (8) Utah; (9) New Mexico and Arizona (Spanish); (10) New Mexico and Arizona (Indian); (11) Indian and Frontier Work; (12) Alaska; (13) Immigrants; (14) Deaconess; (15) Orientals; (16) Mission Supplies; (17) Young People's Work; (18) Local Missionary Work; (19) Lectures and Home Missionary Reading Circle; (20) Systematic Beneficence.

5. The Bureau for Georgia shall supervise the work of the Society in the State of Georgia, and the Bureau for Florida in the State of Florida.

6. The Bureau for the East Central States shall supervise the work of the Society in West North Carolina and South Carolina.

7. The Bureau for the West Central States shall supervise the work of the Society in East North Carolina and Tennessee.

8. The Bureau for Mississippi shall supervise the work of the Society in that State.

9. The Bureau for the West Southern States shall supervise the work of the Society in Louisiana and Arkansas.

10. The Bureaus for Texas, Utah, New Mexico and Arizona (Spanish), New Mexico and Arizona (Indian), and Alaska shall supervise the work of the Society in these States and Territories respectively.

11. The Bureau for Indian and Frontier Work shall supervise the work of the Society in Frontier States and Territories not included in other Bureaus.

12. The Bureau for Immigrants shall supervise the establishment and care of Homes and Industrial Schools for Immigrant women and girls, in connection with the Atlantic ports of entry.

13. The duty of the Bureau for Deaconess Work shall be the organization and the supervision of such Training-schools and Deaconess Homes as are under the auspices of the Society, and the appointment of Deaconesses to fields of labor.

(1.) This Bureau consists of its Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, its Executive Committee, its Advisory Council, the General Superintendent of Deaconess Work, and two ladies from each locality where the Deaconess Home is established.

(2.) There shall be a General Superintendent of Deaconess Work, who may be the President of the National Training-school. The Superintendent shall be nominated by the Deaconess Bureau and elected by the General Board of Managers, and shall co-operate with the Secretary of the Bureau in the management of the work; shall receive quarterly the reports from the several Homes, keep on file a full statement of the condition and work of these Homes, and endeavor to establish helpful relations between the several Homes and between the Homes and the National Training-school.

(3.) No promise of life support shall be made to those who enter upon the work after the age of forty years, or to those who shall have given less than eight years of efficient, consecutive service as Deaconesses, under the auspices of the W. H. M. S., the eight years of service not to include the two years of training.

(4.) No promise of life support shall be made to those, who, at the close of their effective service, shall be unwilling to enter the Rest Home.

(5.) Any such Deaconess may be admitted to the Rest Home on the payment for her of $200 by the Home of which she has been a member, or by herself, or by her friends.

(6.) The Executive Committee of such Deaconess Home as receives support from the Woman's Home Missionary Society, on approval of the General Board of Managers, shall become a Standing Committee for its management, and shall report the work of the Home annually through its delegate.

(7.) The Board of Management of each Home associated with the Woman's Home Missionary Society shall secure that a report, as per blank furnished by the Deaconess Bureau, be sent quarterly on dates corresponding to the divisions of the fiscal year of the Society, to the Secretary of the Deaconess Bureau, to the General Superintendent of Deaconess Work, and to the General Corresponding Secretary.

(8) We recommend that the rules of the several Homes, as to support of deaconesses, term of service, costume, age, or admission and support of disabled workers, shall be as nearly as possible uniform, and that the allowance for incidentals, for clothing, etc., for a licensed deaconess shall be

eight dollars a month; all questions pertaining to the general interests of deaconess work being in each Conference finally placed, as by the Discipline, under the control of the Conference Board of Nine.

(9.) Cities and towns where such Deaconess Homes are located as are authorized to send a delegate to the General Board of Management shall have the right to retain half the membership dues of the Auxiliaries located therein, and the receipt of the Conference Treasurer will be received and credited by the General Treasurer for the same.

(10.) Any person receiving aid from the Woman's Home Missionary Society in securing training at the training-schools of the Society shall receive this money as a loan, which obligation shall be satisfied by a term of service in the Society of not less than two years' service for one year's training, nor less than four years' service for two years' training, or return the money to the Society as soon as practicable.

14. The Bureau for Orientals shall supervise the work of the Society among the Oriental peoples on the Pacific Coast.

15. The Bureau for Mission Supplies shall supervise the collection and distribution of clothing, literature, and such other supplies as may be helpful to ministers' families, Sunday-schools, and the Industrial Schools of the Society.

16. It shall be the duty of the Bureau for Young People's Work to awaken and sustain interest in Home Missions among young people; to organize Young Ladies and Juvenile Societies, and to secure the enlistment of Mothers' Jewels.

17. The Bureau for Local Missionary Work shall supervise the mission work in our large cities and towns, as begun or carried forward by our Auxiliaries in harmony with the local Church authorities, pastors, and Official Boards; the support of Industrial Schools, for instruction in religion, morals, temperance, and the elementary industries; and the employment of Bible-readers for general missionary work among the neglected women and children.

18. Local missionary work, for which credit for money expended is given, shall be entered upon only with the approval of the Board of Trustees through the Secretary of the Bureau for Local Missionary Work.

19. The funds used for the support of city mission work shall be raised for that special purpose, and by such methods as shall not diminish the amount that would otherwise be contributed to the general treasury.

20. Churches and individuals furnishing supplies to meet the needs of organized Local Missionary Work may be credited for the same through the authorized channels in the Bureau for Supplies.

21. The Bureau for Home Missionary Reading Circle, shall supervise the preparation of courses of missionary reading, and the organization of Reading Circles. Loan libraries may be provided for the use of ministers and students in frontier districts.

22. The duty of the Bureau for Systematic Beneficence shall be to promote systematic giving by the preparation and circulation of literature, and such other efforts as are adapted to secure this end.

23. All Secretaries of Bureaus shall be nominated by the General Executive Board, and confirmed by the Board of Managers.

24. The Secretaries of the Bureaus of Supplies, of Local Missionary Work, of Young People's Work, of Home Missionary Reading Circle, of Immigrants, and of Deaconess Work, may nominate the members of their Bureaus, who shall be elected by the General Executive Board.

III.

FINANCE.

1. The fiscal year of the Woman's Home Missionary Society shall end the 31st of July.

2. **Auxiliary Societies.**—The Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer

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6. [illegible] regularly appropriated therefor.

7. Each of the superintendents of Industrial Schools and Homes who are in the employ of the Society shall present to the Board of Trustees through the Secretaries of their respective Bureaus not later than [illegible] of each year, carefully prepared estimates for their work for the coming year.

8. Each Conference Corresponding Secretary is requested to come to the meeting of the General Board of Managers prepared to say what special work her Conference will support for the coming year.

9. No officer of the Society, no Auxiliary or Conference Society shall contract for the purchase of property, or undertake any special work other than local work within its own territory without the approval of the Board of Trustees of this Society, expressed in writing and duly certified by the signatures of the Chairman and the Recording Secretary of said Board.

10. The erection of buildings shall not be begun nor contracted for until the money that will be required for the completion thereof shall have been paid into the general treasury of this Society, or fully provided for; nor until the erection of the said building or buildings, and all the plans and contracts relating to the same shall have been approved by the Board of Trustees of this Society in the manner specified in the foregoing paragraph.

IV.

BUILDING AND CARE OF HOMES AND SCHOOLS.

1. The erection of all buildings for Home and school work shall be under the care of the Bureau having charge of the work, which shall determine the site, select the plan, let the contract, supervise the erection, and accept the work, subject to the approval of the Board of Trustees.

2. The furnishing of Industrial Homes and schools shall be plain, simple, and economical, and as carefully adapted to circumstances as possible. The purchases shall be made under the direction of the Bureau in charge, and the property shall belong to the Society. At the end of each year an inventory of property, and a statement of its condition, shall be furnished to the Board by the Superintendent of the Home.

3. Each Industrial Home shall be under the care of a Superintendent, who, together with the teachers and assistants, shall be employed by the Board of Trustees and paid by order of the Society.

4. All the employees of the Board shall make, directly, or through their superintendents, as they shall be instructed, monthly reports of their work

as per blank provided, sending one copy to the General Corresponding Secretary and another to the Secretary of the Bureau in charge of the field.

5. Since the conversion and spiritual growth of those for whom we labor is the object of all effort, our instructors are required to work diligently and methodically to that end, through family worship, school instruction, personal appeal, and social means of grace, endeavoring at all times to develop sound and strong character.

6. It shall be the aim in our Industrial Schools to provide: (1.) Such social and moral training as shall tend to make good neighbors and good citizens; (2.) When necessary, the rudiments of education—reading, writing, and keeping simple accounts; (3.) Such domestic instruction as shall fit girls to care for a house, and prepare plain meals properly and economically; (4.) Instruction in dressmaking and cutting, making and mending the plain garments of ordinary wearing apparel; (5.) Tuition in nursing—the care of the sick; (6.) Kindergarten and kitchengarden training; (7.) Instruction in the cultivation of vegetables, fruits, and flowers.

7. It shall be our aim to provide a library for each Industrial Home and school, to which pupils may have daily access.

V.

MISSIONARY INTELLIGENCE.

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10. The duty of the District Secretary shall be to co-operate with the President in the organization of Auxiliaries; to correspond with and visit them, to arrange for public meetings, to send out blanks and receive reports, and to forward a report by the 1st of October, January, April, and July to the Corresponding Secretary of the Conference Society, and to secure a report from Auxiliary Corresponding Secretaries for Conference and District Annual Meetings. In the absence of a Conference Secretary of Young People's Work, she shall also secure reports from Circles and Bands.

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23. These By-laws may be suspended by a majority vote of the Conference Executive Board at any regular meeting, and amended by a two-thirds vote of an Annual Meeting, the change being in harmony with the Constitution of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

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10. The duty of the District Secretary shall be to co-operate with the President in the organization of Auxiliaries; to correspond with and visit them, to arrange for public meetings, to send out blanks and receive reports, and to forward a report by the 1st of October, January, April, and July to the Corresponding Secretary of the Conference Society, and to secure a report from Auxiliary Corresponding Secretaries for Conference and District Annual Meetings. In the absence of a Conference Secretary of Young People's Work, she shall also secure reports from Circles and Bands.

11. There shall be a Supply Secretary, a Mite-box Secretary, a Secretary for Local Work, and a Secretary for Young People's Work, a Secretary for Home Missionary Reading Circle, and such other Secretaries as the exigencies of the work demand, each to report as directed by the Conference Executive Board. Each Conference Society shall also elect a Manager for the Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school at Washington, D. C.

12. The Executive Board shall meet in ———— on the —— of each month, if practicable.

13. No membership dues or moneys obtained for missionary purposes may be used for local needs.

14. Auxiliaries shall have credit in the General Reports only for moneys sent to the General Treasurer.

15. There shall be a contingent fund for local expenses, to which each Auxiliary shall contribute to the amount of at least ten cents a member for each year, one-half to be used in Conference expenses and the other half in those of the District and Auxiliary.

16. As soon as practicable, each District shall be organized into an Association under the Constitution adopted by the Board of Trustees.

17. The District Association or the President and Secretary of each District shall be a Committee to arrange for a presentation of our work at camp-meetings held on the District. In case of their failure to do so, that duty shall devolve upon the Conference Executive Board.

18. Any Conference that has held one or more Annual Meetings, and has its duly elected Conference and District officers, may determine its own methods of organizing Auxiliaries and the amount of remuneration of its organizers, provided that all its plans shall be in harmony with the Constitution.

19. The Conference Societies shall be held responsible for the direction and control of their respective organizers.

20. In all cases where Conference Organizers, whose appointment has been confirmed by the Board of Trustees, are employed, the expense, which consists of traveling expense and one dollar for each day of actual service, must be met by the Conference if possible. An itemized bill must be given to the Conference Treasurer, and when the Conference Contingent Fund is insufficient to pay the whole of this bill, the Conference Treasurer may forward the same, indicating the amount paid thereon, to the General Treasurer, who will pay the balance.

21. The accounts of such Organizers shall be audited each month by an Auditing Committee appointed by the Conference Board for this purpose before sending bills to the General Treasurer.

22. The Conference Treasurer shall close her account with the Auxiliaries the —— of ——, after which all the moneys received shall be placed in the next year's account.

23. These By-laws may be suspended by a majority vote of the Conference Executive Board at any regular meeting, and amended by a two-thirds vote of an Annual Meeting, the change being in harmony with the Constitution of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

CONSTITUTION FOR DISTRICT ASSOCIATIONS.

ARTICLE 1. This Association shall be known as the ——— District Association of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

ART. 2. It shall be the object of this Association to secure an Auxiliary in each charge on the District if possible, and to sustain interest in those already organized.

ART. 3. Every person who is a member of the Woman's Home Missionary Society on the ——— District shall be a member of the Association.

ART. 4. The officers of this Association shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Recording Secretary, a Corresponding Secretary, a Treasurer, and such Secretaries of departments as are necessary to the promotion of the work. These officers shall be nominated by informal ballot and elected by ballot.

ART. 5. The duties shall be such as usually devolve upon such officers, with the addition to those of the Corresponding Secretary, that she shall secure a report from each Auxiliary Corresponding Secretary on the 15th of September, of December, of March, and of June, and send a report to the Conference Corresponding Secretary by the 1st of October, January, April, and July. The Treasurer shall hold only the Contingent Fund of the District, which she shall disburse upon the order of the President and Corresponding Secretary.

ART. 6. There shall be an Annual Meeting for the election of officers and the transaction of such other business as may be of interest to the Association.

ART. 7. Amendments to this Constitution can be made under the provisions of No. 23, By-laws for Conference Societies.

CONSTITUTION FOR AUXILIARIES.

ARTICLE 1. This Association shall be called the Woman's Home Missionary Society of ———, Auxiliary to the ——— Conference Society of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

ART. 2. The object of this Society shall be to aid in interesting Christian women in the elevation and evangelization of needy and destitute women and children in our own land, and in raising funds for this work.

ART. 3. Any person paying a regular subscription of two cents per week, or one dollar per year, and 10 cents Contingent Fund, may become a member of this Society, and any person contributing five dollars per quarter for one year, or twenty dollars at one time, shall be constituted a life member.

ART. 4. The officers of this Society shall be a President, one or more Vice-Presidents, a Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, Librarian, and such other Department Secretaries as may be thought advisable, who together shall constitute an Executive Committee to administer the affairs of the Society.

ART. 5. Meetings of the Society for business and communication of intelligence shall be held ——— of each month. The Anniversary Meeting shall be on the ——— day of ———, when the Annual Reports of the Secretary and Treasurer shall be read, and the officers for the ensuing year elected.

ART. 6. This Constitution may be amended only by the Board of Trustees of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

BY-LAWS FOR AUXILIARIES.

1. IT shall be the duty of the President to preside at all meetings of the Society, and to supervise its general interests.

2. It shall be the duty of the Vice-President to perform the duty of the President in the absence of that officer, and to aid in devising means for the efficiency of the Society.

3. It shall be the duty of the Recording Secretary to keep a record of the proceedings of the Society, and provide the pastor with notices of meetings.

4. It shall be the duty of the Corresponding Secretary to conduct the correspondence of the Society, to send reports quarterly of the condition and work of the Auxiliary to the District Secretary when the District Association is organized; otherwise to the Conference Secretary, and in the absence of such an officer to the Corresponding Secretary of the General Society in Cincinnati. It shall also be the duty of the Corresponding Secretaries, when no other person is appointed, to faithfully solicit subscriptions to *Woman's* and *Children's Home Missions.*

5. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to collect the dues of members, hold in trust the funds of the Society, keeping a book account, and to send the same quarterly to the Conference Treasurer, and in the absence of such an officer, to the Treasurer of the General Society.

6. It shall be the duty of the Librarian to provide and care for one or more sets of books in the Home Missionary Reading Circle. Five cents shall be charged for the use of any book returned within a month, five cents a week for all time additional, and the full price shall be paid for all books out over three months. These rentals shall constitute a permanent library fund. The Librarian shall keep a file of Woman's Home Missions and Annual Reports for reference, take and forward orders for the same, drawing upon the library fund for necessary postage, and for the purchase of new books. She shall keep a careful record and report regularly to the Auxiliary.

7. ORDER OF EXERCISES FOR MONTHLY MEETING:

(1.) Devotional Exercises.
(2.) Reading and approval of Minutes
(3.) Reports from members of work done.
(4.) Report of Treasurer, in writing.
(5.) Report of Corresponding Secretary.
(6.) Unfinished business.
(7.) Miscellaneous business.
(8.) Adjournment.

8. Once each quarter, if practicable, a public meeting shall be held, in which reports shall be read, addresses given, and every effort made to increase the general missionary intelligence and zeal in the special work of this Society.

9. There shall be a Standing Committee of three to provide literary exercises of a missionary character for the monthly and quarterly meetings.

10. Each lady connected with this Society shall try to induce others to become members, and shall do what she can to add to the general interest, remembering in prayer each day the Society, its workers, schools, orphans, and missionaries.

11. These By-laws may be changed or amended at any regular meeting of the Society, by a two-thirds vote of the members present—notice of such intention having been given at a previous meeting.

CONSTITUTION FOR YOUNG WOMAN'S SOCIETIES.

ARTICLE 1. This Society shall be called the Young Woman's Society of ——— Methodist Episcopal Church.

ART. 2. The object of this Society shall be to interest the young people

of the Church in missionary work among the ignorant and degraded in our own country.

ART. 3. Any young person fourteen years of age or over, paying one cent a week, or fifty cents a year, may become a member of this Society, and any person paying two cents a week, or one dollar a year, may become an Honorary member of the Society.

ART. 4. The officers of this Society shall be a President, three or more Vice-Presidents, a Recording Secretary, a Corresponding Secretary, and a Treasurer, who, together with the Conference and District Secretaries for Young People, as advisory, by correspondence or otherwise, shall constitute an Executive Committee to conduct the work of the Society.

ART. 5. Meetings of the Society shall be held ——— of each month. The Annual Meeting shall be on ——— day of ———, when Annual reports shall be read, and officers elected for the coming year.

ART. 6. This Constitution may be changed only by the Board of Trustees of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

BY-LAWS FOR YOUNG WOMAN'S SOCIETIES.

1. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Society, and in every way seek to promote its interests.

2. The Vice-President shall take the place of the President in her absence, and seek to assist her in every way.

3. The Recording Secretary shall keep a true record of the proceedings of the Society, and provide the pastor with notices of meetings.

4. The Corresponding Secretary shall carry on the correspondence of the Society, solicit subscriptions to our papers, and send reports once a quarter to the Conference Secretary of the work of the Society.

5. The Treasurer shall collect membership dues, keep a book account, and send funds once a quarter to the Conference Treasurer.

6. There shall be two Standing Committees, Literary and Musical; one to furnish a Missionary Program, and the other to provide music for the meetings.

7. Young Woman's Societies may give literary and musical entertainments in public, at which full reports of the work of the Society may be made, that the sympathy and interest of the Church may be awakened and kept alive.

8. Each member of the Society shall try to induce others to join, and shall do all in her power to make the meetings contribute to mental and spiritual growth.

9. Suggestive Order of Exercises for Monthly meeting: (1.) Devotional Exercises. (2.) Reading of Minutes. (3.) Report of Treasurer. (4.) Report of Corresponding Secretary. (5.) Discussion of plans of work. (6.) Program. (7.) Adjournment.

10. These By-laws can be changed or amended only at a regular meeting of the Society by a two-thirds vote of the members present, one month's notice of such intention having been given.

CONSTITUTION FOR JUVENILE SOCIETIES.

ARTICLE 1. This Society shall be called the ——— Mission Band of ——— Methodist Episcopal Church.

ART. 2. The object of this Society is to interest the children and youth

of the Church in missionary work in our own land; and to secure their help in carrying it forward.

ART. 3. This Society, by virtue of its voluntary obligations to render material help in various departments of the work, shall be recognized as a lawful adjunct to the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and shall make reports thereto.

ART. 4. The officers of this Society shall be a lady Director, whose duty shall be to take charge of and direct the Society; a President, four or more Vice-Presidents, a Recording and a Corresponding Secretary, and Treasurer, whose duties shall be those usual to such offices.

ART. 5.—SEC. 1. Any child or young person, with consent of parents or guardian, may become a member of this Society by paying yearly twenty-five cents as membership fee.

SEC. 2. This Society may hold entertainments or use any methods for securing funds that are in harmony with Christian usages and the rules of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

SEC. 3. This Society may support a beneficiary, furnish Sunday-school supplies, or assist in any department of missionary work it may desire, provided the work chosen be approved by the Executive Board of the Conference Society, or the Board of Trustees of the General Society.

SEC. 4. This Society may have affiliation with the Woman's Home Missionary Society only by contributing directly to its work in the mission fields, and can only have credit in the reports of the General Society for money paid into the General Treasury.

SEC. 5. The Annual Meeting of this Society for the election of officers shall be held on ———.

SEC. 6. This Constitution can be amended by the Board of Trustees of the General Society. Petitions for change may be made in writing, stating reasons for such request, and bearing the signature of all the officers of the Society.

BY-LAWS FOR JUVENILE SOCIETIES.

1. THE meetings of this Society shall be held on ——— of every ———.

2. A Committee on Music, consisting of three or five members (at least one adult), shall be appointed for one month or more, whose duty it shall be to provide suitable music for the meetings.

3. The Vice-Presidents shall each in turn be responsible for the entertainment of the meeting, by securing speeches, dialogues, quartets, etc., from their bands, and by obtaining the aid of adults as needed. And, together with the Director and the Committee on Music, they shall prepare a program before each meeting for the use of the President.

4. ORDER OF EXERCISE FOR REGULAR MEETING:

(1.) Devotional Exercises.
(2.) Reading and approval of Minutes.
(3.) Report of Treasurer.
(4.) Report of Corresponding Secretary.
(5.) Report of Bands.
(6.) Unfinished and miscellaneous business.
(7.) Program.
(8.) Adjournment.

5. These By-laws may be amended with the consent of the Auxiliary with which the Society is connected.

FORM OF BEQUEST AND DEVISE.

BEQUEST—(**Personal Estate**)—*I give and bequeath to the* **Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church,** *a corporation under the laws of the State of Ohio, the sum of.....and the receipt of the Treasurer shall be a sufficient discharge to my executors for the same.*

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NOTE.—Notice should be given promptly to the Corresponding Secretary of the Society of all Bequests and Devises.


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OF THE

Eighteenth Annual Meeting

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PITTSBURG, PA.,

OCTOBER 18-25, 1899.

THE Eighteenth Annual Meeting of the Board of Managers of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church convened in Christ Church, Pittsburg, Pa., October 18, 1899. A magnificent flag of our country superbly draped the organ above the platform, while foliage plants and choice flowers, tastefully arranged, gave an added charm to the beauty of the splendid cathedral.

The meeting was called to order at 10.30 A. M. by the President, Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk, of New York City. An organ prelude was rendered in masterly style by Mr. Sidney Trick, of Pittsburg.

Mrs. George W. Mansfield, of Newton, Mass., conducted the devotional exercises, announcing the hymn, "Rock of Ages." Mrs. Mansfield read the 116th Psalm and part of the fourteenth chapter of St. John, and offered prayer. The hymn, "In the Cross of Christ I glory," was sung in conclusion.

In words of tenderness Mrs. Fisk made reference to the chair vacant by the recent death of Mrs. Elizabeth Lownes Rust, Corresponding Secretary of the Society from its organization.

Mrs. F. A. Aiken, of Cincinnati, the Recording Secretary, organized the Convention, and the roll-call was responded to by forty-three Conferences.

Mrs. Aiken nominated the following ladies as Assistant Secretaries, and they were confirmed: Mrs. E. L. Albright, Delaware, Ohio; Mrs. B. S. Potter, Bloomington, Ill.; Mrs. E. B. Green, Rochester, N. Y.; and Mrs. J. E. Gilbert, Washington, D. C.

In welcoming the Convention to Christ Church, the pastor, the Rev. Daniel Dorchester, Jr., D. D., said: "Christ Church is open to receive you; our hearts are open to receive you. Christ Church is true to the

standards of Methodism; it also follows the new light, which comes from the Word of God. It is a Church noted for its generosity. During the forty-four years of its existence it has contributed nearly one million dollars to benevolences, and is not yet exhausted. We are a busy people—both rich and poor labor; but we live for God and humanity, and we are ready to recognize you as the heart force of the moral and spiritual condition of our Nation. Let us look for inspiration, help, and guidance for more certain workings of conscience. Let not the time-clock of public opinion regulate our time for action; but let us take the standard from Jesus, let us keep the Christ time, mind, and activity."

In the cordial address of welcome to the homes of Pittsburg, Mrs. C. W. Smith referred with feeling to the honored member of our body, Mrs. Rust, who was not here to receive this greeting, but had been welcomed into the life immortal. Mrs. Smith reminded the ladies that they were on ground rich in historic events; that here, at the junction of these two picturesque rivers, the Alleghany and the Monongahela, had come first the French adventurers, next the British, and, lastly, in his vigorous young manhood, the Virginia surveyor, afterward the leader of the Continental army—George Washington.

The first Methodist society in the village of Pittsburg was organized by the Rev. John Wrenshall, an English preacher, the grandfather of Miss Julia Dent, afterward the wife of Ulysses S. Grant, the quiet, invincible General who led the armies of the Union to victory, and made possible, and even necessary, the reunited and happy country in which we now rejoice.

With vast manufacturing interests and consequent wealth, a municipality well governed, we claim to be a comparatively godly people, with churches numerous and strong, holding in the cause of missions a place of high credit.

Mrs. Smith reminded the Convention that, situated on the edge of the greatest coke-producing region of the world, employing thousands of foreigners, there was imperative need of mission work among them. With great desire she had looked for the coming of this body, and with another would say, "Immediately, therefore, I sent to thee, and thou hast well done that thou hast come. Now, therefore, are we all here present before God, to hear all things that are commanded thee of God."

Rev. A. H. Lucas, D. D., spoke not only for Christ Church, but also for the other Churches, whose altar fires burn with equal brightness, and who welcome this body of women for what they are and what they have done. He had studied the list of departments of work, and felt assured that women whose thought and effort were given to work of so large a scope as this must have broken away from narrow and selfish interests, and so be prepared to influence others for good. He hoped that the Convention would declare itself in a state of siege against any Church without an Auxiliary of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

In responding to these addresses of welcome, Mrs. I. D. Jones, of

Cincinnati, Ohio, said: "Your kindly words have fallen like music on our ears. In our Reports we are Presidents, Secretaries, Committees; but lift the official veil, and we are wives, mothers, daughters, sisters—women; new women, washed in the blood of the Lamb, and the daughters of the King. We have come in the Master's name and on his business, and so we accept your *well-come*. We have not come for recreation, but service. While we come with rejoicing, there is a minor key, because of a vacant chair. She who has left us had both strength and beauty of character. God showed her and us a vision, as he did Peter of old, and in that vision we have learned that every woman throughout the length and breadth of the land, whatever her creed or nationality, *is our sister*, and we are planning for the relief of every needy one."

A vocal solo, "Open the Gates of the Temple," was delightfully rendered by Mrs. Carrie Angell-Baker.

The Annual Report of the Corresponding Secretary, prepared since the death of Mrs. Rust by Mrs. E. L. Albright, was a concise review of the work of the year, and listened to with close attention, and, on motion, adopted. (See Report.)

On motion of Mrs. W. C. Herron, Mrs. Albright received a cordial expression of thanks for preparing this able report.

The Annual Report of the Treasurer, Mrs. Delia Lathrop Williams, was submitted, and, on motion, adopted with a rising vote of thanks. (See Report.)

Mrs. I. D. Jones moved that Conferences be admonished as to the necessity of sending all funds into the treasury before the closing of the books at the end of the fiscal year. Carried.

Mrs. Delia L. Williams moved, seconded by Mrs. T. L. Tomkinson, that the Committees on Credentials and Enrollment be united. Carried.

The Committees were then constituted as follows:

Credentials and Enrollment.—Mrs. D. L. Williams, Mrs. A. W. Black, Mrs. D. A. Minard, Mrs. N. S. Brush, and Mrs. A. V. P. Adams.

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On motion, the Convention adjourned until two P. M.

The benediction was pronounced by the Rev. Daniel Dorchester, Jr., D. D.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON was sacredly set apart for memorial services to Mrs. Elizabeth Lownes Rust, our well-beloved and efficient Corresponding Secretary, who "entered into rest" October 3, 1899. The subdued strains of the grand organ reminded us that the hour of two o'clock was approaching. Upon the platform were seated the President, Mrs. Fisk; the First Vice-President, Mrs. Herron; the Recording Secretary, Mrs. Aiken; and the Treasurer, Mrs. Williams.

At the right of the President was the "vacant chair," in which kind hands had placed, resting upon the mourning drapery, a beautiful and fragrant wreath of white roses, emblematic of the life that had gone out from among us to enter into the better life beyond.

The gavel as it fell gave forth a muffled sound. The hymn, "My Jesus, as thou wilt," was sung, and Mrs. Fisk, in a few well-chosen words, spoke of the special services of the hour, and asked Mrs. D. L. Williams to lead in prayer. She voiced the thought of every heart in thankfulness for the benediction of such a life, for the courage and fortitude and faith with which our beloved Mrs. Rust had finished the year's work. She pleaded for new workers, and that God would comfort the bereaved family, the sisters, and Dr. Rust, a part of whose life had been torn from him.

In an interview with Mrs. Rust, Mrs. Fisk asked her if there was anything she could do for her, saying, "We women want to do something for you." "O no," Mrs. Rust replied, "I am resting in the arms of my Savior, as a child nestles in the arms of its mother; you can only love me and pray for me."

Mrs. Fisk introduced Mrs. H. C. McCabe, a lifelong friend of Mrs. Rust, and her beautiful tribute began with a description of the "upper room" in this noble home of Methodism, sanctified by prayer and by the conferences and counsels of the servants of God and the friends of man. Then followed the close analyzation of the life and character of this noble woman, which Mrs. McCabe, from years of close intimacy, was able to give. In closing, she said: "Eighteen years we have had our great and talented leader. In her earnestness, her creative power, her genius for work, she thought of everything, she grasped everything. Holding the center, she was ubiquitous on the whole circumference. In her the corresponding secretary was innate. The true corresponding secretary is, like a poet, born, not made. From the open grave of one who so long came and went with us, from the contemplation of the glory into which she is received, let us turn each individually, and seek the indwelling of that Spirit by whose ennobling we may carry forward with new life and vigor the work to which our departed and beloved Secretary gave, perhaps sacrificed, her life."

Miss Iva May Durham, our deaconess-at-large, sang, "Only remem-

bered by what I have done." After the singing of this appropriate and beautiful selection, Mrs. Fisk referred to the last meeting of the Board of Trustees, a sad meeting because Mrs. Rust had gone from us, and the action of this Board would now be presented by Mrs. W. C. Herron.

Mrs. Herron submitted the following:

"Death has again entered our ranks, and removed from us a sister beloved, a faithful friend, an indefatigable co-worker.

"Mrs. Elizabeth Lownes Rust, the chief founder of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, has been for nearly twenty years our great leader. Her strong and brilliant qualities, her marvelous dispatch and untiring enthusiasm, sustained by a remarkable endowment of physical strength and endurance, have all been put under tribute to the cause whereunto she was called of God. Of her a greater thing may be said than was said of the noble Centurion, She loved our Nation, and hath built us a Society in order to increase its greatness and goodness.

"Her thrilling words, written eighteen years ago, come to us freighted with interest now:

" 'Dear Sisters,—From cabins in the South, and Indian wigwams and adobe houses, and Mormon harems, and Chinese quarters, hands are reaching out to us for help; wistful, yearning faces are turned toward us, pleading with dumb eloquence for counsel and guidance. Shall we turn a deaf ear to their appeal, and grant them no relief?'

"Her devotion to the work of the Society, which was organized for the help of these oppressed ones, shows how eager she was to obey the voice of conscience, and to embrace every opportunity to render service to others.

"Twice before in its history has the Society been called upon to mourn the loss of a leader. To-day one strong and courageous has left us; but her influence will live; her noble life must still breathe life into the work, and give strength and courage to the workers.

"Our work literally fell from her hands. To none of the alarming and distressing incidents of a deadly malady, during three years, did she yield; but with clear mind and steady purpose she prosecuted the great interests of the Society. Only when she passed into unconsciousness did her labors cease. Therefore,

"*Resolved*, That we will never cease to cherish the memory and recall the loving service and ardent enthusiasm of her whom we are now called to mourn.

"*Resolved*, That the work so dear to her shall be, with renewed affection, prosecuted by us as we remember her devotion to it through all the years of our united effort.

"*Resolved*, That while in the greatness of our bereavement we deplore our loss, yet as she bowed, from the beginning, to the will of God with great fortitude and resignation, so would we imitate her, and say, 'Thy

will be done,' in the sure and blessed hope of meeting her in our Father's house on high.

"*Resolved*, That we extend our tenderest sympathies to the bereaved and sorrowing friends, especially to the honored husband, Rev. R. S. Rust, D. D., who, by his experience and devotion to the Society and its interests, made it possible for her to render it such long and remarkable service."

The President requested that all who knew and loved Mrs. Rust should give testimony to their affection by a rising vote in the adoption of these resolutions. Instantly the assembly stood, as if glad to indorse the sentiments so eloquently expressed.

Mr. H. B. Brockett, of Pittsburg, then rendered exquisitely the familiar hymn, "Jesus, Lover of my soul."

The President said: "If I should ask the women of the Woman's Home Missionary Society if they would like to speak a word in memory of Mrs. Rust, they would all say, 'Yes;' but time will not permit this, so I have selected three, whom I invited to speak three minutes each: Miss Martha Van Marter, of New York; Mrs. S. W. Floyd, of New England; and Mrs. John A. Secor, of New York East Conferences."

Miss Van Marter spoke as a Corresponding Secretary who knew Mrs. Rust in an early day. Her cheerful and hopeful outlook was always an inspiration. We shall never know in this world the value of her optimistic life. Some one had said, "It is an impertinence to be discouarged in the Lord's work." Mrs. Rust knew no such thing as *discouragement*. Miss Van Marter referred to a dear little child that the Angel of Life had taken from her home. They loved to look at her books and toys, and had arranged them as she liked them best, and at regular times they remembered the gifts to the little mite-box that she loved. And shall not we remember, by our offerings, our noble-hearted Mrs. Rust? and shall not her going into life stir our hearts and deepen our enthusiasm for the work that filled her closing years?

Mrs. Floyd said: "My own acquaintance with Mrs. Rust began eight or nine years ago. She was present at our Conference Executive Board meeting. I met her upon a similar occasion only a year since. While in feeble health, she spoke with brightness, cheerfulness, and helpfulness. Any life that touched hers must have been helped. She came to our New England Conference in the days of its feebleness. She encouraged the small band of workers as no one else could. We mourn her loss with all those of this Society."

Mrs. Secor said she had not been intimately associated with Mrs. Rust. The first time she met her was at the opening of the deaconess work in Brooklyn. "Her sweetness of spirit, and yet her determination that everything should be done in harmony with the plans of the Society, impressed me with her executive ability, as well as with the strength and beauty of her character. We are nearer the Celestial City to-day than we have ever been before, and we have one more there to welcome us."

Mrs. Secor, in closing, read a few stanzas of Phœbe Cary's beautiful hymn,—

"One sweetly solemn thought
Comes to me o'er and o'er,—
I am nearer home to-day
Than I ever have been before;
Nearer the bound of life,
Where we lay our burdens down;
Nearer leaving the cross;
Nearer gaining the crown."

Mrs. Fisk then called upon Mrs. Aiken, Recording Secretary, who followed with a tender tribute to Mrs. Rust. She confessed to a feeling of loneliness, even in this presence. "I reach out my hand in vain for the warm clasp of that most gracious woman,—our first President, Mrs. Hayes, whose memory is sweeter than the perfume of these beautiful flowers; and 'O, for the sound of a voice that is still!' In vain the sigh for the tender companionship of our friend, the loved second President, Mrs. Davis, who, with Mrs. A. R. Clark, Mrs. Rust, and the Recording Secretary, met almost daily in the early history of the Society for conference and counsel as regards its interests. In the loss of these associates in our labor of love, is it strange that I confess to loneliness?

"Where nobler tributes to the life, character, and work of our lamented Mrs. Rust are woven into a wreath of immortelles, I would add only a little sprig of evergreen,—simply giving you a glimpse of her as she slowly vanished from our sight.

"During the midsummer days, before the ladies left the city, a Business Committee meeting was held in the spacious parlors of her elegant home. I found her there alone. 'How are you, Mrs. Rust?' I said. With a radiant smile shining as a rainbow over the tearful face, she cheerily replied, 'A bit nervous this morning, but I am better.'

"Two weeks later, I found her in great feebleness of body, reclining upon the couch in that large and light 'upper room,' of which Mrs. McCabe spoke,—the *sanctum sanctorum* of the home. The heart and brain then gave dictation to the ever-faithful secretary, Miss Wommer. As I inquired after her health, she smiled and said, 'O, I am better,' and in earnest words spoke of her wonderful trust and unfaltering faith in God.

"On another occasion, when in the midst of heroic endurance of intense suffering, there came the same answer, 'Better.' When last I saw her in her own quiet room, scarcely able to speak, while the light of eternity shone in her eyes, she indicated that she was *'better* this morning.' My unuttered words were, 'Yes, better further on.'

"Soon thereafter all that was mortal lay before us, encircled by the choicest flowers, while the immortal had joined the choir invisible, and

in tones triumphant testified in unison with the unnumbered chorus that 'It is better further on.'

" 'I hear it singing—singing sweetly—
Softly, in an undertone,
Singing as if God had taught it,
It is better further on!

Night and day, increasing, sings it,
Sings it when I sit alone,
Sings it so the heart can hear it.
It *is* better further on!

Sits upon the grave, and sings it,
Sings it when the heart would groan,
Sings it when the shadows darken,
It is *better* further on.

Further on!—then, how much further?
Count the milestones one by one.
No!—no counting, only trusting,
It is better further on!' "

By special request, Mrs. May Leonard Woodruff sang with feeling, "I have given up all for Jesus." Mrs. Fisk said, "Mrs. Woodruff has one more to welcome her when those pearly gates unfold," for those gates opened to her own dear mother recently.

The President introduced Mrs. Jane Bancroft Robinson as the familiar friend of Mrs. Rust, and competent to speak of her life and work from this standpoint. Mrs. Robinson said: "Friends, it is hard for me to speak here; for rarely has a society of women gathered as we do today, to mourn the loss of a great leader, and to share in the triumph of her great deeds." A short *résumé* of the work of the Society in its early organization was given, the prophetic vision of Mrs. Rust for the Society, and her self-sacrificing efforts for it during all the years. She spoke of her as a *woman*, tender, true, and strong. As a friend, she "bound us to her with hooks of steel." As a *philanthropist*, her sympathies were not confined to her own Church and work, but in local charities she bore her part.

But of her work as Corresponding Secretary of our Society Mrs. Robinson spoke at length. From the first she had a prophetic grasp of the work of the Society, its magnitude, and its possibilities. When the faint-hearted and fearful would say, "We can do no more," she would cheerfully exhort and persuade, and wisely lay the plans that would be accepted. She *discerned character*, and warmly welcomed every one who could bring any talent, any gift to the upbuilding of her beloved Society.

"Our great work now to her memory is Rust Hall, named alike for Dr. and Mrs. Rust, who

> 'Upon the skirts of Time
> Sat side by side, full sov'reign in all their powers,
> Dispensing harvest, sowing the *To be.*'

"This Hall will commemorate, in a form far more lasting than marble or granite, her noble life-deeds.

"To-day, friends, the close of this wonderful century is rounding out the twentieth year of this Society. Could we form into one long procession those who have been helped by its beneficent work, we should see represented every class that Mrs. Rust so prophetically enumerated. There would be the teachers and mothers from our colored schools of the South; the Indian girls, and the New Mexicans from our Industrial Homes; the women who have been guided out of Mormon errors; the Chinese girls who have been rescued to a pure, free life; the foreign sisters, who, as immigrants, have landed on our shores; the poor, the needy, and the ignorant who have been helped by our deaconesses; the little children from our orphanages—all of these I see in my mind's eye, as in one grand procession, marching along on the highway of life to nobler, happier living, because this great-souled woman, and all who with her have helped to make this Society effective, have been true to their light, and 'followed the gleam.' And it is no mournful dirge they chant, but a song of solemn triumph; for rest and reward and blessed immortality are hers. 'She rests from her labors, and her works do follow her.' "

Messages, expressive of sorrow and sympathy in the death of Mrs. Rust, were read by Mrs. Aiken from the Executive Committee of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, the New England and Cincinnati Branches, and from Colorado and West Wisconsin Conference Societies of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

Mrs. Fisk said that upon one occasion of the meeting of the Peace Conference, of which General Fisk was President, Lyman Abbott said, "I am going to throw my hook and line away out into the future for this Indian work." Let us do this for our beloved Society, for the sake of the girls and mothers of the Nation; and, as Mr. Moody, in the church of Dr. John Hall, after his death, asked all to bow their heads in prayer, and ask God to send into this pulpit a man who could fill it as well as did Dr. John Hall, "I make this appeal to you, my sisters," said Mrs. Fisk, "that we may, through united prayer, bring to this office, left vacant by our dear Mrs. Rust, one who will carry this work."

After silent prayer, Mrs. Clara L. Roach led in audible prayer, the burden of which was that God might lead in the choice of a successor to our faithful friend and co-worker.

The hymn, "My faith looks up to Thee," was sung; and thus closed

a service, remarkable for its comforting influence and the presence of the Spirit of God.

The doxology was sung, the benediction was pronounced by the Rev. M. C. Harris, D. D., of California, and the Convention adjourned until 7.30 P. M.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.

THE Convention was called to order promptly at 7.30, with the President, Mrs. Fisk, in the chair.

After an organ voluntary by Mr. Sidney Trick, the devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. T. L. Tomkinson, who announced the hymn, "Soldiers of Christ, arise!" which was sung with great earnestness by a large audience, led by the quartet of Christ Church. Mrs. Tomkinson then read a part of the ninth chapter of Luke and, after comments that were interesting and impressive, offered earnest prayer. Three stanzas of "Give to the winds thy fears" were sung.

The Minutes of the morning session were read by Mrs. Albright, and adopted.

The President introduced Mrs. B. S. Potter, Secretary of the Bureau for Utah, who gave an address on the political, social, and religious conditions in Utah. As Mrs. Potter had spent two months in Utah the past summer, she gave facts and figures which, she said, could be substantiated, that were both surprising and revolting. In six of the Northwestern States the Mormon Church holds the balance of power. The trend of the Church in Utah to-day is to re-establish polygamy. The Mormons are doing an active missionary work, having from seventeen hundred to two thousand missionaries in the field. They have raised an immense fund by bonding the Church, and are working earnestly everywhere.

Mrs. Potter read the articles of faith of the Mormon religion, and discussed each at length. In conclusion, she said that a Constitutional Amendment, prohibiting polygamy or plural marriage, is what is wanted. Under present conditions, the Mormons may go on in polygamous living and only be guilty of a misdemeanor. She believed that Utah would finally be redeemed if the people outside of it worked as consistently as the Christians within its borders against the Mormon faith and practices.

She closed with giving a brief report of the work of our missionaries and deaconesses in Utah, and asked the privilege of supplementing it at a later date on the Convention floor.

Her address was indorsed by hearty applause, and the report adopted. (See Report.)

The appended pledges were made for Utah:

For beneficiaries at Elsinore, Utah—Detroit, $25; Iowa, $25; Illinois, $40; Total, $90.

For deaconess evangelist—Michigan, $15; Upper Iowa, $50; Illinois, Mrs. King, $35; Philadelphia, $10; New York, $10; Central Ohio, $10; Minnesota and North Minnesota, $10; North Indiana, $10; Central Pennsylvania, Mrs. Bennett, $20. Total, $170.

The hymn, "Abide with me, fast falls the eventide," was beautifully rendered by the quartet of Christ Church, after which an inspiring report of Ritter Industrial Home, Athens, Tenn., was given by Mrs. D. L. Williams, the chairman. The following pledges were made:

For Machines.—Central Ohio, Delaware District, $25; New England Southern, $30; Newark, $15; Miss Bancroft, $10. Total, $80.

For Student Aid.—Central Pennsylvania, $80; Minnesota and Northern Minnesota, $200; East Ohio, $40; North Ohio, $40; Northern New York, $120; Pittsburg, $10; Detroit, $20; Wilmington, Mrs. Beadenkopf, $40; New England, $40; Columbus, Third Avenue, $40; North Indiana, Warsaw District, $40; Jefferson Avenue, Washington, Pa., $40; Michigan, $80. Total, $790.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Fisk presented Mrs. Bodkin, of Southern California, who was cordially greeted.

The doxology was sung, and the Convention adjourned to meet at nine o'clock Thursday morning.

THURSDAY MORNING.

THE session was called to order at nine o'clock by Mrs. Fisk, the President.

"Sweet hour of prayer" was sung; and Mrs. J. A. Secor, who had charge of the devotions, led in prayer, and read from Nehemiah iv, emphasizing "to pray, to watch, and to work," as a threefold cord that should bind the workers together.

The Minutes of the memorial service were read by Mrs. Potter, and of the previous session by Mrs. Green, and adopted.

On nomination of Mrs. E. L. Albright, Mrs. D. L. Williams was made Chairman of the Committee of the Whole on Finance.

This Committee, on motion, went into session, and arose at 10.30 o'clock, after which "Saved by Grace" was sung with spirit.

The Committee on Courtesies, through its chairman, Mrs. John G. Holmes, presented to Mrs. Fisk, Rev. L. H. Wilson, D. D., of Washington, D. C., and Rev. S. W. Davis, of the coke regions, Pennsylvania, who were then introduced to the Convention.

Mrs. G. H. Thompson submitted the report of the Auditing Committee, which, on motion, was adopted. (See Report.)

The report of the Committee on Bequest and Devise was presented by Mrs. J. W. Gosling, of Cincinnati, and, on motion, adopted. (See Report.)

Reports of Conferences were given by the respective Corresponding Secretaries, as follows: California, by Mrs. L. P. Williams; Central Ohio, by Mrs. Daniel Stecker, Assistant Secretary.

On motion of Mrs. Aiken, Mrs. Stecker was requested to convey our love and sympathy to the absent Conference Secretary, Mrs. M. H. Davis.

Cincinnati Conference, by Mrs. H. G. Marshall. At the suggestion of Mrs. Fisk, and on motion of Mrs. Albright, Mrs. J. H. Bayliss was requested to write a letter of sympathy to Mrs. W. A. Goodman, Jr., of Cincinnati, who is detained by illness.

Detroit Conference, by Mrs. W. B. Pope.

On motion, these most encouraging reports were adopted. (See Reports.)

Mrs. G. E. Palen, Secretary of the Bureau for Georgia, presented her report, and the following pledges were made:

For Student Aid, Haven Home, by Conferences.—Philadelphia, $80; North Ohio, $25; Troy, $60; Central Ohio, $50; Upper Iowa, $20; Wyoming, $25; New England, $60; New Jersey, $15. Total, $335.

For Salary, Haven Home, by Conferences.—Philadelphia, $200; New England, $300. Total, $500.

For Student Aid, Mary Haven Home.—Minnesota, $10.

For Student Aid, Thayer Home.—Second Street Church, Grand Rapids, Mich., $20; Evanston, Ill., $40; Genesee, $40; Detroit, $50; New England, $40. Total, $190.

For Salary, Thayer Home.—North Indiana, $400.

Kinsey Home, Alabama.—Newark, $25; Upper Iowa, $50; Wyoming, $25; Genesee, $50; Cincinnati, $10. Total, $160.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

Rev. A. H. Ames, D. D., of the National Training-school, Washington, D. C., was introduced to the Convention by Mrs. Fisk.

In the absence of Mrs. J. L. Whetstone, Secretary of the Bureau for Florida, who was detained by illness of her sister, the report was read by Mrs. M. T. Carey, and pledges were made as appended:

For Student Aid, Boylan Home.—Upper Iowa, $10; Newark, $10; Cincinnati, $5; Central Ohio, $20; New Hampshire, $10; Mrs. McCabe, $5. Total, $60.

For Student Aid, Emerson Home.—Upper Iowa, $10; Troy, $10; Central Ohio, $40. Total, $60.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

On motion, Mrs. D. L. Williams, Mrs. E. L. Albright, and Mrs. F. A. Aiken were constituted a committee to ascertain the status of our work in Key West, Florida.

At the hour of noon the belts and bands of our machinery ceased their activity that we might commune with God and one another in

praise and prayer. Mrs. E. L. Welden, of Wilmington Conference, announced the hymn, "Jesus, Lover of my soul," and read a few verses from John iv. Prayer was offered by Mrs. Mary Fisk Park and Mrs. N. M. Browne. One stanza of "Rock of Ages, cleft for me," was sung. The entire company testified in song, led by Mrs. Woodruff, that

"E'er since by faith I saw the stream,
Redeeming love has been my theme."

In a very brief time eighteen testimonies were given.

On motion, adjourned until two o'clock. The benediction was pronounced by Rev. A. H. Ames, D. D., of Washington, D. C.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

THE session opened at two o'clock, with the President, Mrs. Fisk, in the chair. For the encouragement and inspiration of the workers to go forward in the prosecution of the mission work of the Society, Mrs. C. E. Millspaugh read the first chapter of Joshua, and offered a fervent prayer. The devotional exercises began with the singing of "Nearer, my God, to Thee," and concluded with that worshipful selection, "Sing to the Great Jehovah's praise."

The Minutes of the morning session were read by Mrs. Gilbert, and, on motion, adopted.

Mrs. Woodruff sang, with soul-stirring effect, "O, how sweet it will be in that beautiful land!"

The report of the Bureau for Immigrants was submitted by the Secretary, Mrs. George W. Mansfield, who generously shared the time allotted for her report with Mrs. Mary Fisk Park, who spoke with especial reference to the New York Immigrant Home at No. 9 State Street, as a beacon-light to the homeless and friendless, to the stranger and lonely ones who seek its protection and enjoy its hospitality.

Mrs. Aiken claimed the pleasure of escorting to the platform our noble worker and long faithful missionary at the New York port of entry, Miss Alma E. Mathews, whose warm sympathy for and interest in the friendless mothers, unprotected girls, and helpless little ones who are temporarily there in the vicissitudes of life, make a practical demonstration of Christianity as a crown to her womanhood and a credit to the Society and Church she represents.

Miss Mathews gave a recital of her varied experiences in efforts to care for "the stranger within our gates," and rejoiced at the increase of friends and interest in this work.

Pledges for Immigrant Home, New York, were as follows: Ohio, $20; Iowa, $10; Upper Iowa, $25; New Hampshire, $20; Illinois, $100; Michigan, $10; Central Ohio, $50; Cincinnati, $20; New York, $100; Minnesota

and North Minnesota, $50; Central New York, $25; Baltimore, $25; Wyoming, $25; Genesee, $20; New York, $100; North Indiana, $10; Newark, $50; Northern New York, $10; East Ohio, $10. Total, $680.

On motion, the report of the Bureau for Immigrants was adopted. (See Report.)

The sweet sentiment and exquisite melody of "There is never a day so dreary, but God can make it light," was sung by Mrs. T. J. Leak, of Emory Church, Pittsburg, with piano accompaniment by Mrs. John G. Holmes.

The report of the Bureau for East Central States, given by its Secretary, Mrs. E. L. Albright, prefaced by the statement that the influences which go out from our homes and schools permeate whole communities, and transform them, was verified not alone by this report, but also by the reports which followed. Pledges were as appended:

For Student Aid, Allen Home, Asheville, N. C.—Upper Iowa, $10; North Ohio, $25; Second Street Church, Grand Rapids, Mich., $20; Wilmington, $20; New England, $40; Presbyterian Friend, $40. Total, $155.

For Student Aid, Browning Home, Camden, S. C.—New England Southern, $40; Upper Iowa, $10; Genesee, $20; New Hampshire, $10; Southern, $40; Upper Iowa, $10: Genesee, $20; New Hampshire, $10. Total, $80.

For Furnishing Sewing-room. — New England Southern, $100. Total, $100.

Plantation Pledges, Camden, S. C.—New England, $30; New England Southern, $30. Total, $60.

For Student Aid, Simpson Home, Orangeburg, S. C.—Philadelphia, $40; Wilmington, $40; Central New York, $40; Northern New York, $10; New York East, $25. Total, $155.

For Hall Furnishings, Simpson Home.—East Ohio, $25; New England, $10; Wyoming, $25; New Hampshire, $10; Northern New York, $10. Total, $80.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

The report of the Bureau for West Southern States was submitted by the Secretary, Mrs. F. A. Arter.

By invitation, Mrs. Albright spoke of a conversation she had recently had with Bishop Mallalieu, who is familiar with the history of our work in New Orleans, and suggested the wisdom of locating the new Peck Industrial Home on the campus of the Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society, advising that the Woman's Home Missionary Society ask for a site near the President's mansion. Mrs. Albright said she had an interview with Dr. J. W. Hamilton, Corresponding Secretary of the Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society, and this Society had appointed a special committee to confer with our Society at a later time.

On motion, this matter was referred for consideration to the Committee of the Whole on Finance.

Pledges were made, as follows:

For Student Aid, Adeline Smith Home.—East Ohio, $120; Michigan, $80; Upper Iowa, $40; Newark, $40. Total, $280.

For Student Aid, Italian Work.—Upper Iowa, $10; Detroit, $25; Illinois, $25; New York, $10. Total, $70.

The report of the Bureau was adopted. (See Report.)

The report of the Bureau for Texas was made by the Secretary, Mrs. L. G. Murphy, and, on motion, adopted after the following pledges were made: Student Aid, King Home, by Conferences.—Iowa, $80; Minnesota and Northern Minnesota, $40; New Jersey, $10; Northwest Indiana, $20; New England Southern, $20; Wyoming, $20; Central New York, $20; Allegheny District, Pittsburg, $40; Queen Esther Circle, Salem, East Ohio, $40. Personal Pledges: Mrs. P. L. Bennett, $20; Mrs. J. P. Negus, $40; Mrs. D. L. Williams, $5; Miss Henrietta Bancroft, $5; Mrs. F. A. Arter, $5; Mrs. Mary Fisk Park, $5; Mrs. James Dale, $5; Mrs. N. S. Brush, $5; Mrs. L. P. Williams, $5; Mrs. Bonsall, $5. Total, $390. (See Report.)

Conferences were called as follows: East Ohio, East Tennessee, Erie, Florida, Genesee, Holston, Idaho, and Illinois, and responded to as follows: East Ohio, by its Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. F. A. Arter; Erie, by Mrs. E. D. Clark, who succeeds our faithful worker from the organization of the Conference Society, Miss Annie M. Cummings. Mrs. Clark presented the kindly greetings of Miss Cummings, and, on recommendation of the President, Mrs. Fisk, an expression of warm sympathy for her in illness and appreciation of her services was heartily approved. Genesee, by the Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. E. B. Green. This report was supplemented by a statement that the father of our dear Mrs. Minard, Rev. E. E. Chambers, D. D., having recently been called to join his life companion in the "Home of the Soul," had left a bequest of five hundred dollars to the Genesee Conference Deaconess Home, Buffalo, N. Y. Illinois Conference, by Mrs. Sarah E. King, Corresponding Secretary, who, in closing, stated that Miss Durham, deaconess-at-large, had so sung her way into the hearts of the laymen of the Illinois Conference as to affect the pocket-books to the amount of nearly three hundred dollars for the Cunningham Deaconess Home at Urbana, Ill.

On motion, the Conference Corresponding Secretaries' reports were adopted. (See Reports.)

Mrs. B. S. Potter, Secretary of the Bureau for Utah, submitted the following preamble and resolutions:

WHEREAS, Recent events have forcibly brought to the attention of the Nation the increasing audacity and glaring immorality of the Mormon sect in certain of our Western States, whereby there has been elected to represent the State of Utah in the National Congress one Brigham H. Roberts, a notorious and confessed polygamist and lawbreaker; and

WHEREAS, It is the boasted purpose of the Mormon hierarchy to

force upon the Nation the recognition and approval of its illegal and abominable principles and practices by making its representative, Roberts, a lawmaker for the American people; and

WHEREAS, These principles and practices are not only a menace to the National honor and good name, but strike directly at the integrity and purity of the home, which is the fountain-head of the Nation's strength; therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, here met in National Convention:

First. That we earnestly petition the House of Representatives to prevent Brigham H. Roberts from retaining a seat in the National Congress.

Second. That we profoundly believe that Constitutional legislation, which shall immediately and effectively prohibit the practice of polygamy, is necessary for the protection of the American home, and the preservation of National honor.

Third. That we call upon the women of the whole country, and especially upon the membership of our Society, to be untiring in their effort and influence, by every honorable means to bring about these ends.

On motion of Mrs. T. J. Everett, seconded by Mrs. C. W. Bickley, these resolutions were adopted by a rising vote.

An invitation from a committee of ladies to visit Calvary Church, Allegheny City, next Monday afternoon, was presented to the Convention through our President, Mrs. Fisk, who voiced the sentiments of the ladies in a desire to accept, while stating that the work of Monday afternoon involved the election of officers of the Society, if not accomplished at the morning session.

Mrs. Everett, Chairman of the Committee on By-laws, called attention to the requirement that all proposed changes should be placed in the hands of the Committee not later than Friday.

Mrs. Woodruff led in singing the hymn, "Faith of our Fathers," and the meeting adjourned until 7.30 P. M., after the repetition of the Lord's Prayer.

THURSDAY EVENING.

THE President, Mrs. Fisk, called the Convention to order at 7.30 o'clock. The hymn, "There 's a wideness in God's mercy," was sung by a large audience. Mrs. J. W. Campbell, of New York City, read a portion of the nineteenth chapter of St. Matthew's Gospel, and offered prayer. Mrs. Campbell then took from the lesson read the sentence, "Suffer little children to come unto me, and forbid them not," and gave an earnest five-minute talk thereon. She thought there was no way in which we could show forth the Spirit of God more plainly

than by caring for the children. She felt grateful that our Society has established several homes in which such beautiful work is being done in rescuing waifs in our cities who are orphans and homeless. The hymn, "Go in the strength of thy Savior," was sung by Mrs. Woodruff and Miss Durham in concluding the devotional exercises.

The Minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Aiken, and, on motion, adopted.

Mrs. Fisk read before the Convention a portion of a letter which she had just received from Mrs. W. A. Goodman, Jr., who is detained from this meeting by illness, in which she says her health is rapidly improving. She sends greeting to this body, and the words from the prophet Haggai, saying, "Be strong, saith the Lord, and work; for *I am with you.*"

Mrs. S. A. Jacobs presented an encouraging report of the Medical Mission in the North End of Boston.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. I. D. Jones gave the report of Glenn Industrial Home, in Cincinnati, which was adopted. (See Report.)

At this point a solo was well rendered by Miss Charlotte Wagner.

Miss Bertha Fowler, Superintendent of the Elizabeth E. Marcy Home, Chicago, gave a wonderfully strong address on work among foreigners in the slums of our great cities. A vivid picture of the manner in which they are huddled together in the lowest and cheapest tenement districts was presented. Here they live, a law unto themselves, believing that, as soon as they reach free America, they are amenable to no law. When she had finished this picture of degradation and lawlessness, she spoke of a lighthouse in the midst of one of the foreign districts of Chicago. This lighthouse belongs to the Woman's Home Missionary Society, and is our Marcy Home. There were seven departments of work opened last year; and all are self-supporting.

Pledges for salary were as follows: Iowa, $5; Upper Iowa, $25; North Indiana, Goshen District, $10; Minnesota and Northern Minnesota, $10. Total, $50.

On motion, the three reports were then adopted by the Convention. (See Reports.)

Mrs. Mansfield moved that an expression of sympathy be sent from this body, by our Secretary, Mrs. Aiken, to our sister and co-worker, Mrs. E. E. Marcy, in the loss of her husband during the last year, and the motion prevailed.

Mrs. Aiken read a telegram from the California Conference Board, with greetings and a reference to Romans, sixteenth chapter, first and part of the second verse.

After singing the hymn, "Soldiers of the cross, arise!" the benediction was pronounced by the Rev. S. W. Davis; and the Convention adjourned, to meet Friday morning at nine o'clock.

FRIDAY MORNING.

AFTER a service of song, the meeting was called to order by the President, Mrs. Fisk, who announced Mrs. Margaret Alspaugh, of Iowa, as in charge of the devotional exercises.

After the hymn, "How firm a foundation," was sung, a call was made for Scriptures from the heart, and passage after passage was given, showing that "Praise waiteth for Thee, O God, in Zion." Two stanzas of the hymn, "In the Cross of Christ I glory," were sung, after which Mrs. W. B. Pope stated that this day had been chosen as a day of fasting and prayer by the Detroit and Michigan Conferences, that there might be a time of ingathering in all the Churches of Methodism, and then led in earnest prayer, followed by Mrs. N. S. Brush. One stanza of "Nearer, my God, to Thee," was sung.

The Convention then went into session as a Committee of the Whole on Finance.

The Committee arose at ten o'clock, and Mrs. Fisk resumed the Chair.

The Minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Greene, and, on motion, adopted.

A resolution on temperance, offered by Mrs. M. C. Hickman, of Iowa, was referred to the Committee on Resolutions, in order that additional strength might be given it by its presentation with the report of that Committee.

The report of the Bureau for West Central States, Mrs. Mary Fisk Park Secretary, was presented, and the following pledges made: For Student Aid, Kent Home—Pittsburg, $40; Iowa, $20; New York, 10; Upper Iowa, $10; Newark, $10; total, $90. For Student Aid, New Jersey Home—Vermont, $90; North Indiana, Ft. Wayne, $40; Newark, $20; Northern New York, $20; New York, $40; total, $210. For Miss Mosher's Salary, New Jersey Home.—Michigan, $360.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

The report of the Bureau for New Mexico and Arizona (Indian) was read by the Secretary, Mrs. E. W. Simpson. Pledges were made as follows: For Student Aid, Navajoes—Newark, $25; Detroit, $30; New England, $10; Troy, $50; First Church, Albany, $25; Central Ohio, $40; New York, $10; Michigan, $10; total, $200. For Student Aid, Dulce—Troy, $50; Minnesota and Northern Minnesota, $5; Upper Iowa, $30; California, $5; Mrs. P. L. Bennett, Wyoming, $30; Minnesota and Northern Minnesota, $40; Central Ohio, $40; Northern New York, $5; total, $205.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

Miss Annie C. Trika, Bible-reader among the Bohemians in the coke regions, was introduced. She reported fifty thousand foreigners in these regions, and herself the only worker among them. Her work was

that of house-to-house visitation, to read the Scriptures to those unable to read. She wished that we who receive so kindly the immigrants at their landing might follow them in the same spirit as they settle among us.

Mrs. Anna Kent, Secretary of the Bureau for New Mexico and Arizona (Spanish), submitted her report.

Pledges were made as follows: For Student Aid, Harwood Home—New York, $50; Genesee, $50; Newark, $120; Central Pennsylvania, $50; Central New York, $50; East Ohio, $50; Erie, $50; Upper Iowa, $50; Baltimore, $10; New Jersey, $20; Central Ohio, $100; Philadelphia, $50; Wyoming, $50; Wilmington, $50; Northern New York, $25; New England, $10; Vermont, $20; Troy, $25; Minnesota and Northern Minnesota, $25; Arizona Mission, $25; Michigan, $10; New York East, $60; Cincinnati, $10; North Indiana, $5; West Virginia, $10; Maine, $10; Southern California, $25; New England Southern, $10; Mrs. G. O. Robinson, $5; Mrs. Mogg, $5; Mrs. Kent, $30; Mrs. S. W. Davis, $5; Mrs. McCabe, Thank-offerings, $5; Mrs. E. C. Stone (paid), $25; total, $1,195. For Salary, Las Vegas—Illinois, salary of Nellie Snyder, $50. For Spanish Work, Southern California—New York, $20; Minnesota and Northern Minnesota, $10; Upper Iowa, $10; New England Southern, $10; Central New York, $5; East Ohio, $10; Northern New York, $5; Wilmington, $5; Newark, $5; Philadlephia, $5; Virginia, $5; New Jersey, $10; Central Ohio, $5; Minnesota, St. Paul Circle, $5; Cincinnati, $5; Baltimore, $5; total, $120. Opening Work in Porto Rico—Baltimore, $100; New York Conference, $100; Central New York, $25; Upper Iowa, $50; Northwest Indiana, $25; Northwest Iowa, $25; Philadelphia, $25; Jefferson Avenue Auxiliary, Washington, Pa., $25; Mrs. A. W. Conklin, Decatur Auxiliary, Illinois Conference, $25; A Friend, through Mrs. Park, $400; Miss Van Marter, $25; total, $825. Promises to try to raise the sums indicated were made by Mrs. James Dale, $25; Mrs. A. W. Conklin, $25; Mr. J. P. Negus, $25; Mrs. John Taylor, $25; Mrs. G. H. Hill, $25; Mrs. Levi Master, $10; Mrs. Edmund Ocumpaugh, $15; Mrs. A. V. P. Adams, $25; and Mrs. J. O. Peck, $25; total, $200.

Mrs. P. H. Bodkin, of Southern California, who had recently visited the Harwood Home, at Albuquerque, New Mexico, testified as to the untiring devotion of our missionaries to their work, and the happiness and comfort of the family of fifty-six children.

On motion, report adopted.

On motion of Mrs. E. L. Albright, the Recording Secretary, Mrs. Aiken, was instructed to write a letter of sympathy to Dr. E. W. Caswell, regarding the loss of his wife, the former Corresponding Secretary of the Southern California Conference.

Mrs. Schoyer, on behalf of the Committee on Courtesies, presented for introduction Mrs. S. A. Hill, Assistant Secretary of the Baltimore Branch of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

The hour for the noontide service having arrived, Mrs. Roach asked that two stanzas of "More love, O Christ, to Thee," be sung, and that the

ladies repeat in concert the Twenty-third Psalm. She then announced as the topic of the service, "The influence of a holy life," referring to this as it was shown in the history of the worthies of the Old Testament Scriptures—more fully evidenced in the lives of the early apostles of Jesus—and fully exemplified in the life of the Holy One, the anointed Son of God. Prayer was offered, the hymn "A charge to keep I have" sung, and the meeting adjourned until two P. M., with the benediction by the Rev. L. B. Wilson, D. D., of Washington, D. C.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

THE session opened at two o'clock, Mrs. Fisk presiding, with Miss E. A. Smith, Superintendent of the Genesee Conference Deaconess Home, at Buffalo, New York, in charge of the devotional exercises. "Guide me, O thou great Jehovah," was sung, and a Scripture lesson read from Isaiah lviii, 5-12. Miss Smith closed with earnest supplication for Divine guidance and help.

The Minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Albright, and, on motion, adopted.

Mrs. F. S. Hoyt, one of the Vice-Presidents of our Society, and Miss M. M. Tomkinson, Preceptress of the National Training-school, were introduced by Mrs. Fisk.

Letters of kindly greeting were read from Mrs. Henry Wade Rogers, Evanston, Illinois, Mrs. E. C. Miller, Fort Simcoe, Washington, and Mrs. I. W. Livezey, Hartwell, Ohio.

An invitation was received with thanks, through Mrs. E. H. Utley, to attend a free organ recital in Carnegie Music Hall, Schenley Park, on Saturday evening.

Mrs. Henry C. Hedges, Secretary of the Bureau for Mississippi, submitted report.

Pledges were made as follows: For Building Fund, Bennett Home, Clarkson, Miss.—B. F. Crawford, Evanston, $100; Hon. H. C. Hedges, Mansfield, Ohio, $100; North Ohio, $100; Wyoming, $100; Upper Iowa, $200; Wilmington, $50; Northwest Indiana, $25; Central Ohio, $50; Troy, $25; North Indiana, $25; East Ohio, $25; Mrs. Arter, $25; New Hampshire, $25; Illinois, $25; Minnesota and Northern Minnesota, $25; Cincinnati, $10; Mrs. Fisk, $25; Michigan, $10; Newark, $25; New England Southern, $25; Vermont, $5; total, $1,000. For Student Aid, Bennett Home—Crafton Circle, Pittsburg, $20; North Indiana, Goshen District, $40; New England, $10; North Nebraska, $10; Detroit, $25; Upper Iowa, $100; total, $205. For Student Aid, E. L. Rust Home, Holly Springs—Michigan, $40; North Ohio, $50; total, $90.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Jane Bancroft Robinson announced that Bishop McCabe would

not be with us for the Deaconess Anniversary meeting of the evening; but while we would miss his enthusiasm, a feast was in store for us.

Rev. Dr. Dorchester, of Christ Church, introduced Rev. J. A. Miller, Rev. N. G. Miller, Rev. L. R. Jones, and Rev. J. W. Miles, of the Pittsburg Conference; also Rev. C. I. Withrow, of the Washington Conference, to the President, who presented them to the Convention.

"The Review of the Work of the Deaconess Bureau" was placed in charge of Mrs. D. A. Minard, Assistant Secretary of the Bureau, who introduced Rev. L. B. Wilson, of Washington, D. C. He said: "The impression made upon me is that the bond is growing stronger between the deaconesses and the Churches. We want the deaconesses. Their interests are never forgotten. Their services are increasing in favor with the Churches. The number of deaconesses is altogether too small to give the opportunities for best work; but in Washington, the center of the Government, their work, under the eyes of those who represent us, is an object-lesson that goes throughout the Nation, showing what the movement means." He was glad for what was, and hopeful for what is to be in Rust Hall, the memorial building to be erected in Washington, D. C., and believes that success will crown the efforts of an organization which has such high aims.

Miss Iva May Durham, deaconess-at-large, sang with deep pathos, "It must be told."

Mrs. Minard then called for three-minute reports from Homes connected with the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church. The Aldrich Memorial Home, Grand Rapids, Mich., was represented by Mrs. Levi Master; the Baltimore Home, by Mrs. John Neff; the Bidwell Home, Des Moines, Iowa, by Mrs. J. P. Negus; the Brooklyn Home, by Mrs. J. O. Peck; the Genesee Conference Home, Buffalo, N. Y., by Miss E. A. Smith; the Home in Cleveland, Ohio, by Mrs. H. A. Griffin; the Cunningham Home and Orphanage, Urbana, Ill., by Mrs. A. W. Conklin; the Home at Knoxville, Tenn., by Mrs. J. M. Plyley; the Home at Los Angeles, Cal., by Mrs. P. H. Bodkin; Newark Conference Home, Jersey City, N. J., by Mrs. E. A. S. Barkalew; the Home in Philadelphia, by Mrs. C. W. Bickley; the Home in San Francisco, Cal., by Mrs. L. P. Williams; the Home in Detroit, Mich., by Mrs. W. B. Pope; Davis Home, Salt Lake City, Utah, by Mrs. B. S. Potter; Lucy Webb Hayes Home, Washington, D. C., by Mrs. C. L. Roach; the Indiana Home, Indianapolis, by Mrs. A. V. P. Adams; and the Elizabeth Wellington Griffin Home, Rensselaer, N. Y., by Mrs. E. W. Simpson.

On motion, these reports were adopted. (See Reports.)

By request, Miss Iva May Durham sang, "De Massa ob de sheep-fold."

Rev. T. J. Leak, D. D., President of the Board of Management of Pittsburg Conference, with great earnestness urged that the deaconess be sent out into the cities as a Sister of Christ, to let the stranger and

the suffering ones "feel again the bond of fellowship," and so help to save the cities.

Mrs. Robinson introduced Rev. M. C. Harris, D. D., of San Francisco, Superintendent of Japanese Missions in Hawaii and Pacific Coast. Dr. Harris spoke of Hawaii as "the Paradise of the Pacific." In 1820 these islands were pre-empted for Christ. Idolatry was swept away; but idol temples are now being built in this center of the twelve thousand islands in the South Sea. Here live the children and grandchildren of American missionaries. Let the next Deaconess Home be established in Honolulu. His inspiring address closed by the singing of a solo in Japanese, a stanza of "Bringing in the Sheaves," the audience joining in the chorus.

Mr. George O. Robinson, of Detroit, was introduced to the Convention, and gave assurance of his continued interest in the work of the Society.

Mrs. May Leonard Woodruff and Miss Lois Smith rendered as a duet, "Some day the silver cord will break," the Convention joining in the chorus.

Mrs. Anna Kent presented a report of Bancroft Rest Home, Ocean Grove, N. J., which is in print for free distribution. Pledges were made as follows: For Special Building, Bancroft Rest Home—New York, $25; New York East, $25; total, $50. To Name Room—New Jersey, $150; Baltimore, $50; total, $200. For Entertainment Fund—Baltimore, $30; Mrs. Robinson, $15; Mrs. Peck, $12; Mrs. Gosling, $5; New London. Conn., $6; Mrs. W. T. Brown, $5; Mrs. Palen, $10; Mrs. R. S. Patterson, $5; Mrs. W. L. Boswell, $6; Genesee, $21; total, $115.

On motion of Mrs. C. L. Roach, seconded by Mrs. E. B. Green, a rising vote of thanks was extended Mrs. Kent and her associates, who have labored so successfully to provide such a beautiful Home for our deaconesses and missionaries.

Mrs. S. W. Davis spoke for the John Thompson Rest Home, Mountain Lake Park, Md., West Virginia Conference, and pledges were made as follows; New York Conference, $20; New York East, $25; Baltimore, $50; New Jersey (for naming a room), $150; total, $245. Reports adopted. (See Reports.)

Mrs. Robinson referred briefly to the deaconess stations in Wheeling, W. Va., Columbus, Ohio, and in St. Paul, Minn., where deaconesses have been sent in response to importunity.

A view of the Washington, D. C., plat, recently purchased for Sibley Hospital Annex, and Rust Hall, was presented by Mrs. Robinson.

An invitation was read from Mrs. John G. Holmes to the members of this Convention, visitors from abroad, the Executive Board of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Pittsburg Conference, the chairmen and members of local committees, to a tea to-morrow, Saturday afternoon, from four to six o'clock, at her residence on Braddock Avenue.

On motion, after singing "Trust and Obey," the Convention adjourned until 7.30 in the evening.

FRIDAY EVENING.

AT the appointed hour, Mrs. Fisk opened the meeting by saying that she regretted exceedingly that the illness of Bishop McCabe prevented his presence this evening. It was a disappointment to her, and she knew it would be to all. Rev. L. B. Wilson, D. D., presiding elder of the Washington, D. C., District, had charge of the opening exercises. The hymn, "Workman of God! O lose not heart!" was sung, and Dr. Wilson read a part of the twentieth chapter of Matthew and the second chapter of Philippians, and led in an earnest prayer. Three verses of the hymn, "One more day's work for Jesus," were sung.

The Minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Gilbert, and adopted.

The President, in introducing the program of the evening, said it was rather amusing that a woman should take the place of a Bishop, who was expected to preside over this meeting. "I wish I had his wonderful power to reach the hearts and the pockets of the people."

Rev. A. H. Ames, D. D., Superintendent of Lucy Webb Hayes National Training-school, gave a highly gratifying report of this noble institution. Pledges were made as follows: For Students' Aid—Lancaster Auxiliary, Ohio Conference, $100; Baltimore, $100; Central Pennsylvania, $200; East Ohio, $100; Illinois, $100; Philadelphia, $100; Northern New York, $100; Upper Iowa, $100; Northwest Iowa, $100; Cincinnati, $50; Minnesota and Northern Minnesota, $50; Central New York, $50; Wyoming, $50; total, $1,200.

On motion, report was adopted. (See Report.)

Miss Martha M. Tomkinson, Preceptress of the Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school, said that her sister and herself, after years of the busy life of the teacher, found themselves, a couple of years ago in London, realizing the dream of their lives. Miss Tomkinson gave a vivid description of her visit to the West End, London, and the marvelous work of Hugh Price Hughes and Mark Guy Pearse. In their work they recognized the class-meeting as the great lever for lifting up the people. A most delightful occasion to her was attendance upon a sacramental service, where the deaconesses and Mrs. Hughes stood sponsor for those who had come under their care.

She described vividly a unique Christmas festival, where the invited guests were drunkards, men and women known to have been in an intoxicated condition the day before. One hundred were at this feast. The English plum-pudding and mince-pie were of the best, as well as the more substantial part of the dinner. After dinner all were invited to the hall above, where temperance addresses were given, temperance songs sung, and fifty-seven of the number signed the pledge. Then the people were directed to go where work would be found for them.

Miss Henrietta A. Bancroft, Field Secretary, followed, speaking of

her visit to the Pacific Coast and the Northwest. The great thought impressed upon her mind was the universal feeling among young people that they are *Americans.* The consul to Honolulu, with his wife, both Chinese, are doing Christian work in that great city. She spoke of the pagans in our country, and appealed to the Society to redouble efforts for all these needy ones.

By special request, Miss Durham sang, "De Massa ob de sheepfold."

Miss May Villa Patten, who has been traveling in the interest of our Society, was introduced, and said: "Opportunity is the voice of God, saying, 'I want you.'" Miss Patten said she received her commission in the Paradise of America—Pasadena, California—to go into the mission field of the Northwest. She visited Oregon, Idaho, Montana, Washington, North and South Dakota, and no matter what the conditions, God was there to help and guide the worker. In some localities men have fine farms; but they are too busy for Sunday-school or Church service. In the large Columbia River Conference, out of ninety-eight Churches seventy-eight are not self-supporting. In South Idaho she had varied experiences. In some places all Churches were closed, except the Methodist, the Catholic having services once a month. She appealed for co-operation with the women in these localities, who are bending every energy to build up our work.

Miss Iva May Durham spoke of "The Work of the Deaconess-at-large." When she was in evangelistic work, in Genesee Conference, Deaconess Home, Buffalo, N. Y., she believed it to be her work, and thought every deaconess should be a soul-winner. Now she had added to this another aim, to bring the consecrated womanhood of America into active service for the Master. The great need of the Church is more workers for the ripening fields of our own country and the world. The call from every Deaconess Home is, More workers! "I have tried to sing into the heart the spirit of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, and pleaded that, when you think of these girls who are on the wing all the time, you will pray for us."

Mrs. Jane Bancroft Robinson, Secretary of the Bureau for Deaconess Work, displayed a picture of Rust Hall as it will be when the gifts are sufficient to build it. Her introductory sentence was: "For if the trumpet give an uncertain sound, who shall go forth to battle? I am not here to give an uncertain sound upon the deaconess work. Ten years ago we had no deaconess work. Then some one gave one thousand dollars to establish a Home. Now we have two hundred and twenty-one deaconesses. Then we had no orphanage; now we have one, which I hope will soon be as large as any in the land. The demand for deaconesses is much greater than the supply. We are praying that many girls will give *themselves*—far more valuable than gold—to this consecrated life. We believe that many more would give themselves if we only had places to train them." Mrs. Robinson called, with satisfactory results, for pledges to name rooms and windows in Rust Hall. All were delighted

with the promptness and cheerfulness with which the following pledges were given:

Pledges for Rust Hall—Pittsburg friend, per Mrs. Fisk, $250. By Conferences: Upper Iowa, $200; Puget Sound, $5; Baltimore, $210; Central New York, $150; Detroit, $100; Newark, $100; New York, $100; Central Ohio, $100; New York East, $100; Wilmington, $100; Philadelphia, $150; New Hampshire, $50; New England Southern, $25; Cincinnati, $20; New Jersey, $25; Northern New York, $150; Wyoming, $100; Southern California, $25; Ohio. $25; Vermont, $25; North Indiana, $50; Minnesota, $25; Louisiana, $20; New England, $100; Indiana, for Epworth League, $10; Detroit Auxiliaries, per Mr. Geo. O. Robinson, $500. Total, $2,715.

To name rooms—Baltimore, in honor of Mrs. John Neff and Mrs. D. B. Street, $300; Michigan, $150; Genesee, $150; Iowa, $100; Central Pennsylvania, for Mrs. M. R. Crawford, $150 (including $50 from Auxiliaries of Williamsport, Pa., to furnish this room); Erie, $150; Niles District, Michigan, $150; Smithfield Street Church, Pittsburg, per Mrs. John Grazier, $150; Northern New York, for Mrs. Parmelia Felt, $150; Mrs. Wenman A. Lewis, for her daughter, $150; Mr. J. P. Negus, to complete naming room for Mrs. Negus, $50; Mrs. W. C. Herron, in memory of her husband's mother, Mrs. Cordelia Herron ($25 previously given), $125; Mrs. J. O. Peck, in memory of her husband, Rev. J. Oramel Peck, D. D., Missionary Secretary, Methodist Episcopal Church, $150; Mrs. P. D. Perchment, in memory of her mother, Mrs. Alex. Bradley, $150; New York, for Mrs. S. D. Snow, $10; New Jersey, $25; Troy, $50; Mrs. Anna Kent, $10; Mrs. E. W. Simpson, $10; Mrs. D. L. Williams, $10; Kent Home, per Mrs. E. W. Simpson, $10. Total, $2,200.

For naming windows—Pittsburg Conference, for Rev. J. F. Core, Washington, Pa., $10; Mrs. Joseph D. Weeks, for her husband, $10; Erie, for Miss Annie M. Cummings, $10; East Ohio, for Mrs. J. B. Cory, $10; Indianapolis District, for Mrs. W. H. Johnson, $10; Union Auxiliary, Wilmington Conference, for Mrs. Martha E. Francis, $10; Mission Bands in Pittsburg Conference, Mrs. Samuel Hazlett, $10; Duluth Tithing Circle, Mrs. D. C. Geggie, $10; Mrs. H. C. McCabe, for Matilda A. Rudisill, Columbus, Ohio, $10; Mrs. L. G. Murphy, $50; Mrs. F. A. Arter, $10; Mrs. Anna Kent, for her youngest grandchild, Marion Elizabeth Kent, $10; M. Grace Quigg, for her father, Rev. J. B. Quigg, $10; Mrs. H. H. Millard, for her daughter, Hazel H. Millard, $10; Mrs. M. T. Carey, for two grandchildren, Gayla Carey Williams and Lydia Carey Davis, $20; Mrs. W. C. Anderson, Pittsburg, for Rev. I. C. Pershing, D. D., $10; Mrs. J. F. Murry, for her mother, Abbie Munson Brush, $25 (paid); Mrs. Jane Bancroft Robinson, in honor of Mrs. D. L. Williams, $10 (paid); Mrs. Wilbur F. Day, for a grandchild, Elizabeth Day Burr, $10; Mrs. May Leonard Woodruff, for her mother, Mrs. A. B. Leonard, $10; Mrs. May Leonard Woodruff, for Gladys Annita Woodruff and Harriet Laura Woodruff, $10;

Christ Church, Pittsburg, $150; South Avenue Church, Wilkinsburg, Pa., $5; Logan Auxiliary, Ohio Conference, $25; Mrs. C. H. Weed, $25; Mrs. J. W. Carnahan, $150; Miss Ella M. Carnahan, $25; Mrs. James Dale, $25. Total, $680.

Contributions of one dollar each were made as follows, to furnish a room for Christ Church; but the members of this Church, desiring to furnish, as well as name, their own room, voted this amount into the treasury for Rust Hall: Cash—Mrs. G. E. Palen, Mrs. W. L. Boswell, Mrs. W. C. Herron, Miss Martha Van Marter, Mrs. L. H. Bunyan, Mrs. H. B. McComber, Mrs. Anna Kent, Mrs. A. W. Conklin, Mrs. John Taylor, Mrs. J. P. Negus, Mrs. Wells, Mrs. Wm. Bradenkopf, Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk, Mrs. Mary Fisk Park, Mrs. J. B. Robinson, Mrs. Wilbur F. Day, Mrs. E. L. Albright, Mrs. D. A. Minard, Mrs. John Neff, Mrs. D. L. Williams, Miss Henrietta A. Bancroft, Mrs. J. H. Bayliss, Mrs. A. E. Dwight. Pledged—Mrs. N. S. Albright, Mrs. E. C. Stone, Mrs. Washington Hastings, Mrs. E. L. Welden, Mrs. Sooy, Mrs. E. W. Seeds, Mrs. Mary L. Gilbert, Mrs. James Dale, Dr. A. H. Ames. A basket collection was lifted, amounting to $30.09 Total, $62.09. Grand total, $5,657.09.

This very successful meeting closed with the doxology, and the benediction by Rev. A. H. Ames, D. D.

SATURDAY MORNING.

THE Convention was called to order by the President, Mrs. Fisk, at nine o'clock. The devotional exercises were in charge of Mrs. I. L. Hunt, who announced the hymn, "I need Thee every hour." The last chapter of Matthew was read, and prayer offered by Mrs. C. T. Moss and Mrs. Hunt. "Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine," was sung in closing the devotional exercises.

The Minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Green, and adopted.

Mrs. Fisk stated that Mrs. F. A. Arter, Corresponding Secretary of the North Ohio Conference, having found it necessary, because of the pressure of work, to resign the Secretaryship of the Bureau for West Southern States, the Board of Trustees have nominated Mrs. J. H. Bayliss, of Oak Park, Ill., to fill this vacancy, and presented her name for confirmation by this body. The vote was in the affirmative.

The report of the Committee on Thank-offering was read by Miss Martha Van Marter, Chairman, and adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. I. D. Jones wished to emphasize Miss Van Marter's recommendation, urging that more should be made of the Thank-offering service.

Rev. T. C. Iliff, D. D., of Utah, was recognized in the audience, and invited to the platform by the President, who presented him to the Convention.

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Mrs. T. L. Tomkinson, and adopted:

WHEREAS, It is desirable that the pledges taken at this meeting appear in the printed Annual Report; therefore,

Resolved, That the Recording Secretary be requested to incorporate in the Minutes, after the report of each Bureau, the pledges taken for the Bureau in the Finance Committee, and that the Secretary of the Finance Committee be requested to furnish Mrs. Aiken with a complete list of these pledges.

The Rev. S. E. Betts, Superintendent of Bethany Hospital, Kansas City, Kan., was invited to the platform, and presented to the Convention by the President.

Mrs. Samuel Hazlett, Secretary of the Bureau for Young People's Work, submitted her report, which, on motion, was adopted. (See Report.)

Miss Bertha Fowler recommended that some action be taken with the view of having the subject of Home Missions represented in our Epworth and Junior Leagues.

Mrs. Herron moved that this matter be referred to the consideration of a Special Committee, composed of Miss Bertha Fowler, Mrs. E. A. S. Barkalew, Mrs. I. D. Jones, and Mrs. Samuel Hazlett. Carried.

The report of the Committee on Credentials and Enrollment, presented by its Secretary, Mrs. A. W. Black, included the following recommendations:

First. WHEREAS, Your Committee find that many of the delegates did not understand that you wished credentials from the respective Conferences, and the Conferences have not furnished them to their representatives in this body; we therefore

Recommend, That a Committee be appointed to prepare and send out blank credentials to each Conference, with the announcement that hereafter they will be expected of authorized representatives.

This recommendation was adopted.

Second. WHEREAS, The Constitution provides that this body shall consist of the Board of Trustees, together with the Conference Secretaries and one delegate from each Conference; and

WHEREAS, It sometimes happens that the Conference Corresponding Secretary can not be present; we therefore

Recommend, That each Conference be permitted to elect an alternate for the Corresponding Secretary, as well as for the delegate, and that this body recognize such alternate in the absence of the Corresponding Secretary.

After full discussion, this recommendation was laid on the table.

Third. We also *Recommend*, That the Conferences without representation in this body be represented by Honorary Vice-Presidents and Bureau Secretaries.

After discussion, this recommendation was also laid on the table.

The report exhibits the fact that the representation includes three

General Officers, four Vice-Presidents, one Honorary Vice-President, nine Managers, four members of the Advisory Board, eighteen Bureau Secretaries, four General Organizers, thirty-three Conference Corresponding Secretaries, thirty-eight delegates, three missionaries, eleven deaconesses, and sixty-four visitors outside of the city of Pittsburg.

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Editor Woman's Home Missions.—Mrs. H. C. McCabe.

Editor Children's Home Missions.—Miss Martha Van Marter.

Publisher.—Miss Mary Belle Evans.

Field Secretary.—Miss Henrietta A. Bancroft.

General Organizers.—Mrs. B. S. Potter, Mrs. May Leonard Woodruff, Mrs. Clara L. Roach, Mrs. Della C. Geggie.

Office Secretary, New York.—Miss Martha Van Marter.

Corresponding Secretary's Secretary.—Miss Elizabeth Wommer.

Treasurer's Secretary.—Mrs. Phebe Graham Strong. *Assistant.*—Mrs. N. S. Albright.

Missionaries.—Miss Alma E. Mathews, Miss Annie C. Treka, Mrs. W. H. Kincaid.

Deaconesses.—Miss Iva May Durham, Miss Mary L. Henry, Mrs. Mary Matthews, Miss Ida L. Lewis, Miss Martha E. Trenis, Miss Sara Doebler, Miss E. A. Smith, Miss Martha M. Tomkinson, Miss Alice Shirey, Mrs. Fannie C. Hathaway, Miss Lois Smith.

CONFERENCES:

Baltimore.—Mrs. Clara L. Roach,* Mrs. John Neff.† Visitors: Mrs. D. B. Street, Mrs. J. E. Gilbert, Rev. A. H. Ames, D. D., Rev. L. B. Wilson, D. D.

* The names of Corresponding Secretaries of Conferences are noted by an asterisk, and the names of Delegates by a dagger.

CONFERENCES:

California.—Mrs. L. P. Williams.*

Central New York.—Mrs. W. A. Brownell,* Mrs. C. T. Moss.†

Central Ohio.—Mrs. Daniel Stecker, Assistant;* Mrs. Parker Pope.† Visitor: Mrs. D. M. Bailey.

Central Pennsylvania.—Mrs. T. L. Tomkinson,* Mrs. A. W. Black.† Visitor: Rev. T. L. Tomkinson.

Cincinnati.—Mrs. H. G. Marshall,* Mrs. I. K. Yount.† Visitors: Mrs. Robert Clement, Miss Minnie Lownes.

Detroit.—Mrs. W. B. Pope,* Mrs. Franc Armstrong.† Visitors: Mrs D. B. Tracey, Mr. George O. Robinson.

East Ohio.—Mrs. F. A. Arter,* Mrs. H. E. Kramer.† Visitors: Mrs. H. A. Griffin, Mrs. G. H. Foster, Mrs. C. H. Weed, Mrs. M. K. Walker, Mrs. Inez Bonsall, Mrs. C. E. Wyman, Mrs. W. E. Campbell, Mrs. A. R. Wells, Mrs. C. L. Ritterspaugh, Mrs. W. H. Locke, Mrs. Sarah Hathaway.

Erie.—Mrs. E. D. Clark,* Mrs. W. J. Smith.† Visitors: Mrs. J. N. Bolard, Mrs. L. D. Rockwell, Mrs. G. W. Arnold, Mrs. J. L. Stratton, Miss Elizabeth Sterrett, Mrs. D. P. Smith, Miss Anna M. Poppino.

Genesee.—Mrs. E. B. Green,* Mrs. C. E. Millspaugh.† Visitors: Mrs. Edmund Ocumpaugh, Mrs. C. V. Wilson, Mrs. Daniel Smith, Miss Minnie Van Marter.

Holston.—Mrs. J. M. Plyley.†

Illinois.—Mrs. Sarah E. King,* Mrs. A. W. Conklin.† Visitor: Mrs. Robert Farris.

Indiana.—Mrs. A. V. P. Adams,* Mrs. W. T. Brown.† Visitors: Mrs. John Messick, Mrs. John Horst.

Iowa.—Mrs. Lavanda G. Murphy,* Mrs. N. S. Brush.† Visitors: Mrs. M. Tomlinson, Miss May Villa Patten.

Louisiana.—Mrs. D. M. Walker.*

Maine.—Mrs. H. P. Keyes.†

Michigan.—Mrs. Levi Master,* Mrs. Julia A. Rose.†

Minnesota.—Mrs. John Taylor,* Mrs. R. H. Young.†

Nebraska.—Mrs. Isabella Spurlock.†

Newark.—Mrs. May Leonard Woodruff.† Visitors: Mrs. C. M. Blaine, Mrs. E. A. S. Barkalew, Mrs. Wilbur F. Day.

New England.—Mrs. S. W. Floyd,* Mrs. C. A. Jacobs.†

New England Southern.—Mrs. J. A. Southard,* Mrs. T. J. Everett.†

New Hampshire.—Miss Susie P. Babcock,* Mrs. Charles Williams.†

New Jersey.—Mrs. G. M. P. Wells,* Mrs. A. H. Chance.†

New York.—Mrs. J. W. Campbell,* Mrs. Mary Fisk Park.† Visitors: Mrs. E. E. Huff, Mrs. E. S. Osbon.

New York East.—Mrs. Clara H. Carhart,* Mrs. John A. Secor.† Visitors: Mrs. J. O. Peck, Mrs. W. A. Richards.

Northern New York.—Mrs. I. L. Hunt,* Mrs. W. R. Fitch.† Visitor: Mrs. H. B. McComber.

CONFERENCES:

North Indiana.—Mrs. L. H. Bunyan,* Mrs. G. H. Hill.†

North Nebraska.—Mrs. J. A. Johnson,* Mrs. H. H. Millard.†

North Ohio.—Mrs. T. S. Shepherd.†

Northwest Indiana.—Mrs. D. M. Wood,* Mrs. India J. Gard.† Visitor: Mrs. Kate E. Roth.

Northwest Iowa.—Mrs. J. P. Negus,* Mrs. M. C. Hickman.† Visitor: Mr. J. P. Negus.

Ohio.—Mrs. Frank G. Carpenter.† Visitors: Mrs. E. W. Seeds, Mrs. A. H. Norcross.

Philadelphia.—Mrs. G. E. Palen,* Mrs. C. W. Bickley.† Visitors: Mrs. D. Dailey, Jr., Mrs. F. A. Dingee, Mrs. S. M. Patterson, Mrs. L. M. Brown, Mrs. M. A. Taylor.

Pittsburg.—Mrs. M. J. Schoyer,* Mrs. C. W. Smith.†

Rock River.—Miss Bertha Fowler,* acting; Mrs. George R. Brown.†

Southern California.—Mrs. P. H. Bodkin.*

Troy.—Mrs. E. W. Simpson.†

Upper Iowa.—Mrs. Margaret Alspaugh.*

Vermont.—Mrs. Ella C. Elmer.*

West Virginia.—Mrs. M. A. Bowden.†

Wilmington.—Mrs. Emma L. Welden,* Mrs. N. M. Browne.† Visitors: Mrs. Washington Hastings, Mrs. H. C. Robinson, Mrs. W. Beadenkopp, Mrs. J. B. Quigg, Mrs. Theodore Francis, Miss Grace Quigg, Miss Dora McLeod, Mr. Henry C. Robinson.

Wyoming.—Mrs. J. W. Thomas.† Visitors: Miss Mary L. Fisk, Mrs. Curtis E. Mogg.

On motion, the report was adopted.

Mrs. Fisk stated that wherever our Conventions are held we are always delightfully entertained by our hostesses and the ladies of the different Churches; but we had no opportunity to look into their faces. She knew the women of this Convention would be glad to see some of these good women, and the following ladies were invited to the platform, and presented to the body: Mrs. James McCann, Mrs. P. D. Perchment, Mrs. Joseph Weeks, Mrs. J. C. McDowell, Mrs. C. B. Wood, Mrs. E. H. Utley, Mrs. W. A. Lewis, Mrs. L. S. Layton, Mrs. L. S. Smith, Mrs. F. C. Perrine, Mrs. C. W. Smith, and Mrs. Daniel Dorchester.

Mrs. McCann, Chairman of the Committee, assured the body that it gave the ladies pleasure to entertain the Convention.

Upon invitation of the President, Mrs. Fisk, the Rev. T. L. Tomkinson, of Phillipsburg, Pa., and Mr. J. P. Negus, of Inwood, Iowa, were introduced to the Convention.

After earnest prayer, offered by Rev. T. C. Iliff, D. D., of Utah, the Convention adjourned to meet at two o'clock.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

PURSUANT to adjournment, the Convention was called to order by the President, Mrs. Fisk, at two o'.clock. "Blest be the tie that binds" was sung. Mrs. T. H. Wilkenson, of Pittsburg, read the third chapter of 1st John, and offered prayer. Two stanzas of "O for a thousand tongues" were sung.

The Minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Green, and, on motion, adopted.

Mrs. J. P. Negus submitted the report of the Mothers' Jewels Home, York, Nebraska, and the following pledges were made:

For Range, Mothers' Jewels Home.—Central New York, $10; Indiana, Shelbyville Band, $5;Wilmington, Jewels, $5; California, Mrs. L. P. Williams, $1; Mrs. Delia L. Williams, $1; Newark, Calvary Church Jewels, $3; Minneapolis, Wesley Church Jewels, $5; Northwest Indiana, South Bend, First Church Jewels, $5; Jefferson Avenue Junior League, Washington, Pa., $5; Genesee Circle, First Church, Rochester, $5. Paid as follows: Michigan, Mrs. Masters, $1; Mrs. F. S. Hoyt, $1; Mrs. Mary Fisk Park, $2; Mrs. Peck, $1; Mrs. Arter, Cleveland, $1; total, $51.

For Range (For Grandchildren).—Mrs. Delia L. Williams, $1; Mrs. Roach, $2; Mrs. Geggie, $1; Mrs. McCabe, $5; Mrs. E. Ocumpaugh, $9; Mr. Negus, $2. Paid: Mrs. C. W. Smith, $1; Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk, $1; Mrs. M. T. Carey, $2; Mrs. Brownell, $1; John W. Campbell, $1; Mrs. Brown, $1; Mrs. Dale, $1; Mrs. Minard, $1; Mrs. Bonsell, $1; Mrs. Gilbert, $1; Mrs. J. M. Pliley, 1; Mrs. Hastings, $1; Mrs. Keys, $1; Mrs. George O. Robinson, $1; total, $35.

For Student Aid.—Minnesota and Northern Minnesota, $100; East Ohio, $50; Iowa, $50; Central Pennsylvania, $50; Newark, $20; Upper Iowa, $50; Michigan, $30; North Nebraska, $50; New England, $100; Watts de Peyster, Jewels, $50; Central Ohio, $25; Genesee, $30; Central New York, Jewels, $50; North Indiana, Warsaw District, $50; East Ohio, Jewels, $10; Nebraska, $100; Band, Hedding Church, Barre, Vermont, for Industrial Work, $10; total, $825.

Special Pledge for Mothers' Jewels Home.—North Nebraska, $100.

On motion, report adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Isabella Spurlock, the faithful Superintendent of the Home, was introduced by the President, and heartily greeted. Since time could not be accorded at this stage of the meeting to speak, Mrs. Spurlock expressed the wish that silence might be golden.

The report of the Watts de Peyster Industrial Home and School, Tivoli, New York, was read by Mrs. Mary Fisk Park, in the absence of the Chairman, Mrs. F. C. Morgan. Mrs. Park presented Mrs. Morgan's regrets at being unable to be present, and supplemented the report with the statement that a generous friend who had visited the Home authorized certain improvements and the complete refurnishing of the school-room. "Make it," said this friend, "the best school-room in the

State of New York, and send me the bill." This unexpected and generous gift amounted to nearly $700.

On motion of Mrs. Aiken, the Convention expressed regret at Mrs. Morgan's absence, and requested Mrs. Park to bear her our sisterly greetings.

On motion of Mrs. Green, an expression of grateful appreciation of the noble gift to Watts de Peyster Home was given. The following pledges were made: For Students' Aid.—Central Pennsylvania, $60; Baltimore, $180; Newark, $60; Northern New York, $30; Minnesota and Northern Minnesota, $30; New York East, $60; New York, $845; New England, $20; New Hampshire, $10; Mrs. F. A. Arter, personal, $25; total, $1,320.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. H. C. McCabe offered the report of the Editor of *Woman's Home Missions*, which was listened to with interest. Its recommendations with reference to providing a cover of white paper of a proper texture to print half-tones handsomely were, on motion of Mrs. Roach, referred to the Committee on *Woman's Home Missions*.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

The report of *Children's Home Missions* was made by the Editor, Miss Martha Van Marter, and, on motion, adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. D. L. Williams offered the following:

WHEREAS, The ladies of Calvary Church, Allegheny City, have very graciously extended to this body the hospitality of their beautiful church for the afternoon session of Monday, October 23d; and

WHEREAS, The press of business already warns us that duty must take precedence of our most earnest wish to accept this invitation: therefore,

Resolved, With warmest expressions of gratitude to the ladies, that we reluctantly decline their invitation.

On motion, adjourned to attend the reception graciously tendered by Mrs. John G. Holmes, and to meet in business session at nine o'clock Monday morning.

SUNDAY MORNING.

THE Rev. Daniel Dorchester, Jr., D. D., pastor of Christ Church, delivered a soul-uplifting sermon from the text: "For we know that if our earthly house of this tabernacle be dissolved, we have a building of God, an house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens." (2 Corinthians v, 1.)

At Emory Methodist Episcopal Church, the Rev. J. W. Magruder, Professor of Sociology at Ohio Wesleyan University, Delaware, Ohio, spoke with no uncertain sound from the text, "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse." (Malachi iii, 10.)

SUNDAY AFTERNOON.

THE Young People's Meeting was held in Christ Church, at three o'clock, Mrs. Samuel Hazlett presiding.

Addresses were given by Mrs. I. D. Jones, Mrs. Mary Fisk Park, Mrs. Isabella Spurlock, and Miss Martha Van Marter.

ANNIVERSARY EVENING.

THE Anniversary of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church was held in Christ Church, Sunday evening, at 7.30 o'clock, with Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk presiding.

A delightful organ prelude by Professor Sidney Trick was followed by the singing of

"Again as evening's shadow falls
We gather in these hallowed walls."

The Rev. T. C. Iliff, D. D., of Utah, offered prayer.

The pastor, Rev. Daniel Dorchester, Jr., D. D., led in a responsive reading from the Forty-fourth Psalm.

Mrs. Fisk, in a most happy manner felicitated the Society upon its entertainment in Pittsburg, and thanked the pastor of Christ Church for his beautiful tribute to the life and work of the late Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. R. S. Rust, and expressed her gratitude for the prosperity that had attended the Society. The bequests last year were larger and more numerous than ever before. Yet even with the existing prosperity there was a pressing need of assistance. The field is constantly broadening, and past experience has taught the workers that when they needed assistance no appeal had been made in vain.

Mrs. Williams submitted a brief statement indicating a prosperous condition of the finances of the Society. (See Report.)

"Sing of the bright home" was effectively given by the fine choir, Mr. H. B. Brockett, leader.

Miss Martha Van Marter delivered the inspiring anniversary address, which was listened to with intense interest. Her subject was, "The Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Twentieth Century"—a retrospec of achievements and prophecy of attainments when the call of God to join heart and hand is heard and obeyed in the effort to make America Christian.

"Father, keep us in thy care," was sung, and the benediction was pronounced by the Rev. T. C. Iliff, D. D.

MONDAY MORNING.

IN accordance with the program, the session opened with the communion service, in charge of the Rev. Daniel Dorchester, Jr., D. D., assisted by the Revs. T. C. Iliff, L. McGuire, G. W. Izer, T. L. Tomkinson, C. W. Smith, G. Miller, A. H. Lucas, and G. H. Humason.

At the close of this solemn service, Mrs. Fisk promptly took the chair, and the Convention joined in singing, "Jesus, Lover of my soul." The consecration hymn, "I 'll go where you want me to go, dear Lord," was sung by Miss Lois Smith, after which a duet, "Blessed Refuge," was sung by Mrs. Woodruff and Miss Smith.

The Minutes of Saturday afternoon session were read by Mrs. Aiken, and adopted.

Mrs. Tomkinson presented a resolution of thanks to Hon. J. D. Long, Secretary of the Navy, approving his recent decision regarding the sale of strong drink in the navy, which was adopted, and ordered incorporated in the report of the Committee on Resolutions..

Mrs. Fisk announced that $10 had been given to name a window in Rust Hall in memory of a dear little girl, the daughter of her hostess, and that the friend who had given $1,000 to name the library in Rust Hall desired that it should bear the name of Mrs. Mary Fisk Park.

Mrs. M. C. Hickman presented a resolution requesting President McKinley to give his sanction to the enforcement of the Anti-canteen Law, which was adopted, and the Recording Secretary was instructed to send this resolution to the President. It was also ordered incorporated in the report of the Committee on Resolutions.

Miss Mary Belle Evans submitted the report of the Publisher of *Woman's Home Missions*, indicative of marked prosperity since the increase of subscription price, with a balance of $911.84 in the treasury.

Referring to the deficit of $330.97 in the fiscal year 1886-87, Miss Evans recommended that the sum be returned to the treasury, to be placed to the credit of the Emergency Fund. This was adopted.

Other recommendations were, on motion, referred to the Committee on *Woman's Home Missions*.

On motion, the report was adopted as a whole. (See Report.)

The report of *Children's Home Missions* was presented by Miss Mary Belle Evans, as Publisher, and showed a deficit in receipts. A discussion followed, participated in by Mrs. Roach, Miss Van Marter, and Mrs. Park, which resulted in the following pledges to cover the deficit: New York Conference, $25; Baltimore, $25; Newark, $10; Central Pennsylvania, $5; East Ohio, $5; Pittsburg, $5; Cincinnati, $5; Philadelphia, $10; Genesee, $5; New Jersey, $5; North Nebraska, $5; Wyoming, $5; Central New York, $5; New York East, $5; Minnesota, $5; North Indiana, $5; Wilmington, $5; Indiana, $5; Upper Iowa, $5; Northwest Indiana, $5; Illinois, $5; Rock River, $5; Troy, $5; Central Ohio, $5; North Ohio, $5;

New England, $5; New England Southern, $5; New Hampshire, $5; Grace Circle, Wilmington, Del., $5; Queen Esther Circle, Wesley Chapel, Minneapolis, $5; Tithing Circle, Duluth, Minn., $5; A friend (paid), $5; Madison Avenue, New York, for Miss Matthews, $5; Mothers' Jewels, Thirteenth Street Church, Harrisburg, Pa., $5; Queen Esther Circle, Rochester, N. Y., $5; Watts de Peyster Jewels, Madison Avenue, New York, $5; Mothers' Jewels Home (Mrs. Spurlock), $5; Indianapolis Young Ladies' Society, $5; Cunningham Circle, Grace Church, Decatur, Ill., $5; Park Avenue Church, New York (Mission Circle), $5; Mothers' Jewels, Jefferson Avenue, Washington, Pa., $5; total, $255.

On motion of Mrs. Tomkinson, these pledges were ordered to appear in the Treasurer's report as Deficit of *Children's Home Missions.*

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Fisk announced the program as finished to the present hour. She thanked the ladies for their cordial support during the past year, saying that without their help she could not have performed her duties, and called Mrs. D. L. Williams to occupy the chair during the election of officers. The necessary instruction was given, the number entitled to vote stated as ninety, and the following ladies appointed as Tellers: First set—Mrs. L. P. Williams and Mrs. L. H. Bunyan, with Mrs. E. B. Green, Secretary. Second Set—Mrs. I. L. Hunt and Mrs. M. J. Schoyer, with Mrs. J. E. Gilbert, Secretary. Third Set—Mrs. W. B. Pope and Mrs. R. H. Young, with Mrs. B. S. Potter, Secretary.

The nomination by ballot for President was ordered.

The second set of Tellers was called, and the nomination by ballot ordered for Vice-Presidents.

On motion of Mrs. Robinson, the Chair appointed Mrs. Tomkinson, Mrs. Park, and Mrs. Carhart as a Special Committee to revise the list of Honorary Vice-Presidents.

The first set of Tellers announced the nomination for President, as follows: Total number of votes cast, ninety; for Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk, eighty-seven.

On motion, the nomination was made unanimous, and the Recording Secretary was instructed to cast the ballot of the Convention for Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk as President of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church for the ensuing year, and the Chairman announced her as duly elected. Mrs. Williams congratulated Mrs. Fisk in the name of the women of the Society.

Mrs. Fisk inquired whether we knew what her acceptance of this office meant. It meant increased activity, diligence, and giving; for she was looking forward to that happy time in the future of which Miss Van Marter had spoken in her anniversary address, and she besought the ladies, by all the memories of the past and their hopes for the future, that they go forth with more earnestness than ever before.

The nomination by ballot for the Corresponding Secretary was ordered.

On motion of Mrs. Robinson, the Chair appointed the following ladies to suggest the names of members of the Advisory Board: Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. Herron, and Mrs. Arter.

The nomination by ballot for the Recording Secretary was ordered.

Mrs. M. C. Hickman, Chairman of the Committee on Day of Humiliation and Prayer, presented her report, which was, on motion, adopted, after the recommendation contained therein was referred back to the Committee for further consideration.

The Tellers reported the nomination for Recording Secretary as follows: Total number of votes cast, eighty-eight; Mrs. F. A. Aiken, eighty-five; Mrs. E. L. Albright, two; Mrs. W. B. Pope, one.

Mrs. Fisk requested Mrs. Albright to cast the vote of the Convention for Mrs. Aiken, and to escort her to the platform.

The Chairman then announced Mrs. F. A. Aiken as the Recording Secretary of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church for the ensuing year.

Mrs. Aiken was cordially welcomed to the platform by Mrs. Fisk, and briefly, but with feeling, responded to the greeting of the Convention.

The Tellers reported the nomination by ballot for Corresponding Secretary: Whole number of votes cast, eighty-nine; Mrs. Delia Lathrop Williams, fifty-six; Mrs. E. L. Albright, twenty-one; Miss Henrietta A. Bancroft, ten; Mrs. W. C. Herron, two.

On motion of Mrs. Roach, the nomination was made unanimous, and the Recording Secretary instructed to cast the ballot of the Convention for Mrs. Williams, and the Chairman announced Mrs. Delia Lathrop Williams as the Corresponding Secretary of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church for the ensuing year.

Mrs. Williams said she had hoped that she had given satisfaction as a Treasurer, and they would want her again; that in the work of the treasury two and two made four, and if one could count so far it was well; but she was not so sure of the office of Corresponding Secretary.

Two stanzas of "A charge to keep I have" were then sung.

Mrs. Robinson asked to be relieved of the Chairmanship of the Committee on Resolutions, and that Mrs. T. L. Tomkinson be placed as her successor, and the requests were granted.

Mrs. Hamilton desired that the status of the Convention on "Tithing" be taken, and requested the ladies, visitors included, to enroll themselves in a book to be found at the Bureau for Information.

The delegation was requested to occupy the same seats at the afternoon session, a verse of "All hail the power of Jesus' name" was sung, and adjournment until two o'clock followed the benediction by the Rev. T. L. Tomkinson, D. D.

MONDAY AFTERNOON.

THE session was opened, with the President in the chair. The devotional exercises were in charge of Mrs. John Taylor, who read the 117th Psalm. The hymn, "In the cross of Christ I glory," was sung, and prayer offered by Mrs. J. M. Plyley, of Knoxville, Tenn.. In closing, all joined in singing, led by Mrs. Woodruff, "When the roll is called up yonder, I 'll be there."

The Minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Albright, and adopted.

Mrs. H. W. ReQua, Secretary of the Wisconsin Conference, read an interesting report, which was, on motion, accepted. (See Report.)

The President invited Mrs. D. L. Williams to the chair to preside during the election of remaining officers.

Mrs. Fisk, in a very happy manner, said, "Birthdays will come and birthdays will go, and good women will be elected to Corresponding Secretaryships on their birthdays," and then presented to Mrs. Williams a beautiful bouquet of American Beauty roses.

Mrs. Williams, in her surprise and appreciation, was silent for a moment. Then she asked if there were as many roses as she was years old, and requested that they be not laid out so the ladies could count them. She said it was a great sorrow to her family that her birthdays were all spent at the Annual Meetings; but this kind remembrance would atone, in a measure, for her absence.

The President read the following note without signature, but breathing beautiful thought:

"The first Missionary Society was organized on Mrs. Rust's birthday. May not the circumstance of Mrs. Williams succeeding Mrs. Rust upon her own birthday, be a prophecy that Mrs. Rust's mantle has fallen upon Mrs. Williams?"

The ballot was ordered for Treasurer.

The result of the ballot for Vice-Presidents was then read by Mrs. Gilbert. Number cast, ninety; necessary to a choice, forty-six; Mrs. Jane Bancroft Robinson received eighty-six; Mrs. H. C. McCabe, eighty-four; Mrs. W. C. Herron, eighty; Mrs. Bishop Walden, seventy-seven; Mrs. F. S. Hoyt, seventy-seven.

On motion of Mrs. Tomkinson, the Secretary cast the ballot of the Convention for Mrs. Jane Bancroft Robinson for First Vice-President.

On motion of Mrs. T. J. Everett, the Secretary cast the ballot for Mrs. H. C. McCabe for Second Vice-President.

On motion of Mrs. I. D. Jones, the Secretary cast the ballot for Mrs. W. C. Herron as Third Vice-President.

Mrs. F. S. Hoyt moved that the Secretary cast the ballot for Mrs. Bishop Walden for Fourth Vice-President. Carried.

On motion of Mrs. M. C. Hickman, the Secretary cast the ballot for Mrs. F. S. Hoyt as Fifth Vice-President.

The Convention was ordered to prepare ballots for twelve Managers for the ensuing year.

The Special Committees appointed to report upon the Advisory Board and Honorary Vice-Presidents were, by vote, permitted to leave their ballots for the Managers before retiring from the room.

The Tellers in charge of the ballot for nomination of Treasurer were announced. The vote stood as follows: Whole number of ballots cast, eighty-five; necessary to a choice, forty-four; Mrs. George H. Thompson, sixty-one; Mrs. E. L. Albright, twenty; Mrs. James Dale, two; Mrs. T. L. Tomkinson, two.

On motion of Mrs. Jones, the Secretary cast the ballot for Mrs. George H. Thompson for Treasurer of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church for the ensuing year.

The President invited Mrs. Young, of Minneapolis, to escort Mrs. Thompson to the platform, and she introduced her by pleasantly referring to the first time she saw Mrs. Thompson, stating that her faithfulness had been unfaltering since.

Mrs. Thompson said her election was a great surprise to her. She thanked the ladies for their confidence, and she would do her best, for her great interest in the Society would permit of nothing else.

The Committee upon Advisory Board reported by Mrs. Robinson a recommendation that the Advisory Board be confirmed as it now stands in the Annual Report, with the exception of the addition of the name of Mrs. D. B. Street, of Washington, D. C.

The report was accepted, and the recommendation adopted.

The Conference Managers for the Training-school at Washington, D. C., were confirmed as found on page 13.

Mrs. Fisk nominated Mrs. James Dale, Mrs. W. A. Goodman, Jr., and Mr. Richard Dymond for Auditors. They were elected.

Mrs. Williams stated that the special interests of our Homes—Watts de Peyster, Mothers' Jewels, and Glenn—had each a Chairman of a Committee confirmed by the Board of Trustees, and not elected by this body.

Mrs. Ampt, Chairman of Committee on Mite-boxes, and Divisional Secretaries Mrs. W. S. Bailey, of Pittsburg; Mrs. E. W. Seeds, Columbus, O.; Mrs. Daniel Smith, Rochester, N. Y.; Mrs. J. P. Negus, Inwood, Iowa; Mrs. Franc Armstrong, Detroit, Mich.; and Mrs. Mary Fisk Park, New York, N. Y., gave encouraging reports of increased interest in this department.

Mrs. Ampt stated that the banner Conference is Newark.

On motion, the reports were accepted. (See Reports.)

Mrs. W. C. Herron followed with her report on Missionary Candidates. She lamented that so few of our workers have been trained in our school in Washington, saying: "We are entering the twentieth century, and it is an uncommon thing to find an unskilled workman in any de-

partment of the world's work, and if we do not emphasize this it will show an element of weakness. Many have excellent qualifications naturally, and the training they would receive at Washington would make them doubly valuable."

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Everett moved a suspension of our by-law requiring that all proposed amendments be presented the first three days of the Convention. Carried.

Mrs. Mary Fisk Park, on behalf of the Committee on Place of Meeting, reported invitations from Chicago, and a joint invitation from the Newark, New York, and New York East Conferences for New York City.

Mrs. Roach moved, seconded by Mrs. A. W. Conklin, of Illinois, that we accept the invitation to Chicago. Mrs. Mansfield, of New England, spoke favoring New York City. Mrs. Campbell emphasized this invitation, saying that the West had entertained so beautifully that she would be glad if the East might be able to extend hospitality to the Convention. Mrs. Negus, Mrs. Ampt, Mrs. Bodkin, Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. McCabe, and Mrs. Murphy spoke for the West, while Mrs. Bowden and Mrs. Carhart added their support for New York.

The vote resulted in the choice of Chicago, which choice was, on motion of Mrs. Mary Fisk Park, heartily made unanimous.

Mrs. Aiken moved that an expression of thanks be sent the Eastern Conferences extending their cordial invitation. Carried.

The President announced that several Corresponding Secretaries had expressed a wish to relinquish the time for their reports if Dr. Iliff, of Utah, could be allowed to speak, and the President was happy to announce that Dr. Iliff would speak in the evening.

Mrs. Beiler requested that the Secretary, Mrs. Aiken, send a letter of condolence to Mr. J. A. Tuck, who has lost his wife during the year.

By special request, Mrs. Woodruff sang, "When our ships come sailing home."

The President read the following extract from a letter from Mrs. Bishop Cranston to Mrs. Williams:

"Please bear my affectionate greeting to the ladies. How we shall miss dear Mrs. Rust! The Annual Meeting will be a blessed occasion, for the Lord always rewards the services of his faithful ones."

Mrs. Carhart reported for the Committee on Honorary Vice-Presidents, and the names, as found on page 2, were confirmed. The following recommendation was offered:

As your Committee have experienced quite a little embarrassment in not knowing the length of the time of service of these ladies, they would recommend that the Recording Secretary be requested to bring to each Annual Meeting a record of the date of the election of each of the Honorary Vice-Presidents as a guide to the arrangement of names for the next year.

On motion, adopted.

The ballot for nomination of Managers was announced. The Secretary of the Tellers stated that eleven ladies had received the necessary number of votes for election, as follows: Whole number of votes cast, eighty-three; necessary to a choice, forty-three; Mrs. W. M. Ampt, eighty; Mrs. Anna Kent, eighty; Mrs. W. A. Goodman, Jr., seventy-eight; Mrs. I. D. Jones, seventy-seven; Mrs. James Dale, seventy-six; Mrs. E. L. Albright, seventy-five; Mrs. J. W. Gosling, seventy-three; Mrs. M. T. Carey, seventy-two; Mrs. Lewis Curts, seventy-one; Mrs. W. L. Boswell, seventy; Mrs. J. L. Whetstone, sixty-eight.

Mrs. Roach moved that the Secretary cast the ballot of the Convention for the eleven ladies receiving the required number of votes. Of the votes cast for the twelfth member of the Managers, Miss Henrietta A. Bancroft received forty.

On motion of Mrs. Campbell, the Secretary was instructed to cast the ballot of the Convention for Miss Bancroft.

Mrs. Woodruff led in singing the doxology, and the Convention adjourned to convene at 7.30 P. M.

MONDAY EVENING.

THE session opened with a service of song. Mrs. P. H. Bodkin, of Los Angeles, California, conducted the devotional exercises. Three stanzas of "Come, Holy Ghost, in love," were sung. Mrs. Bodkin read the thirteenth chapter of 1st Corinthians, and Mrs. Kent offered prayer.

Mr. George Thomas favored the Convention with a beautiful vocal solo.

The Minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Potter, and adopted.

Mrs. Aiken read greetings from the Non-Partisan National Woman's Christian Temperance Union. On motion, Mrs. M. C. Hickman was requested to reply.

Mrs. James Dale, Secretary of the Bureau for Mission Supplies, submitted a report, which, on motion, was adopted. (See Report.)

The President, Mrs. Fisk, then introduced Dr. T. C. Iliff, of Utah, who gave a stirring address on Mormonism, which was listened to with deep interest by a large audience. After his address a leaflet, entitled, "State of Affairs in Utah," was passed to all in the audience, during which Mrs. Woodruff sang "When the roll is called up yonder."

The Convention adjourned to meet at nine o'clock Tuesday morning. The doxology was sung, and Dr. Iliff pronounced the benediction.

TUESDAY MORNING.

AFTER a service of song, the President, Mrs. Fisk, called the Convention to order, and announced Mrs. R. H. Young, of Minnesota, as in charge of the devotional exercises. "All hail the power of Jesus' name" was sung, the Twenty-seventh Psalm read, Mrs. D. L. Williams led in prayer, and the exercises closed with the singing of "Precious Name."

The Minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Green, and, on motion, adopted.

In presenting the report of the Bureau for Indian and Frontier Work, the Secretary, Mrs. H. C. McCabe, spoke of the hopeful changes in the condition of Indian affairs in our missions, and urged that as we look out over our beautiful possessions which we have gained at their loss, we remember our indebtedness.

The following pledges for Indian Work were made: Cincinnati, $20; Mrs. Dale, $5; Mrs. Schoyer, $5; Mrs. Spurlock, $5; North Nebraska, $5; East Ohio, $20; Minnesota and Northern Minnesota, $10; Philadelphia Conference, Special Building Fund at Ponca, $50; Central Ohio, for Yakimas, $25; total, $145.

For Student Aid, Stickney Home.—Central Pennsylvania, $40; Michigan, $40; Iowa, $40; Northwest Iowa, $40; Upper Iowa, $40; Vermont, $40; New England, $40; Erie (conditional), $80; Central New York, $40; Baltimore, $40; Genesee, $40; New York, $20; Newark, $10; total, $510.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Fisk stated that at the late Indian Conference at Lake Mohank, the doing away with the reservation system, and the establishment of Indians in homes, had been the most serious consideration in their deliberations.

Mrs. Fisk announced that another child had been born to the Woman's Home Missionary Society in the Sunday-school room of Christ Church this morning, October 24, 1899, the Elizabeth A. Bradley Memorial Home for Homeless Children, at Oakdale, Allegheny County, Pa., this Home to be in connection with the Pittsburg Deaconess Home of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. Subscriptions had been made as follows: Mrs. J. C. McDowell, $1,000; Mrs. P. D. Perchment, $1,000; Mrs. E. H. Utley, $1,000; Mrs. Charles H. Bradley, $500. Mr. Charles H. Bradley, Mrs. John G. Holmes, and Mrs. Durbin Horne also made subscriptions, but the exact amount was not stated.

"Praise God, from whom all blessings flow," was sung, and these ladies were persuaded to appear upon the platform, that the Convention might see them as sisters and friends, and they were greeted with the Chautauqua salute.

On motion, adjourned for a meeting of the Committee of the Whole on Finance.

When the Committee arose, the report of the Bureau for Systematic Beneficence was presented by the Secretary, Mrs. Samuel Hamilton.

By invitation, Rev. J. W. Magruder, of the Ohio Wesleyan University, Delaware, Ohio, spoke briefly on the matter of tithing, as intended for the world-wide spread of the kingdom of God. Its purpose is not to raise money, but to develop that last of all Christian graces to grow—the grace of liberality.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. D. C. Geggie made report of her work as a General Organizer, giving Mrs. W. B. Pope, of Tecumseh, Mich., credit for a model itinerary. She spoke most instructively and entertainingly of her work in Sabbath-schools in organizing the children into Tithing Bands.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Williams stated that she had just received a message telling of the sudden death of Mrs. Joseph Avann, Treasurer of the Central Ohio Conference.

Mrs. Albright presented the appended resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That a letter of sympathy be sent by the Recording Secretary to the Rev. Dr. Avann, presiding elder of Toledo District, Central Ohio Conference, expressing the deep sorrow of this Convention in hearing of the sudden death of his wife, Mrs. J. M. Avann, Conference Treasurer of the Central Ohio Conference, and formerly a much-loved preceptress in Albion College, Michigan.

By request, Mrs. Walker sang, to the great pleasure of the audience, "I am so glad there 's no dying there."

Mrs. McCabe offered the following, which was adopted:

WHEREAS, We regret to learn of the severe illness of Mrs. A. D. Knapp, Corresponding Secretary of the North Ohio Conference, and miss her presence and efficient help; therefore,

Resolved, That we extend to her our warmest sympathies, trusting that she will soon be restored to her usual health and usefulness.

Mrs. McCabe spoke with sorrow of the departure of Mrs. C. V. Culver, who died in June of the present year. Mrs. Culver was a charter member of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, and the first Corresponding Secretary of a Conference Society, having joined Mrs. Rust in organizing Erie Conference. She was to the last hour of her life, through years of great physical suffering, a "burning and shining light," a joy and comfort to her family and neighbors, and was an honor to the Society.

Mrs. McCabe presented the following:

Resolved, That we desire to record the fact of our high esteem and our precious remembrance of this devoted servant of God and friend of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. And while we sorrow, we also rejoice in her blessed course and triumphant entrance into everlasting life.

Resolved, That we extend to her bereaved husband and friends, also to the Erie Conference, our profound sympathies, praying that they may be comforted of God, and that the mantle of her excellence may fall upon us all.

On motion, adopted.

Several stanzas of "My Jesus, as thou wilt," were sung, and the Rev. Daniel Dorchester, D. D., led in an earnest prayer that we might recognize our high privilege as builders for God. One stanza of "Other refuge have I none" was sung.

Mrs. Potter displayed a beautiful woolen quilt one hundred years old, representing hand labor in a New York home at that period, and desired that it might be purchased by the Convention, and presented to Mrs. Dr. Dorchester.

By motion, this request was heartily complied with.

A motion for adjournment until two o'clock prevailed.

The doxology was sung, and the benediction pronounced by the Rev. J. W. Magruder.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON.

THE Convention was called to order at two o'clock by the President, Mrs. Fisk, and devotions placed in charge of Mrs. A. W. Conklin, Decatur, Illinois. "Love divine, all love excelling," was sung, and Mrs. S. E. King, of Illinois Conference, led in prayer. Psalm cxxi was read by Mrs. Conklin. Miss Iva May Durham sang as a solo, with guitar accompaniment, "When mine eyes behold the King."

The Minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Albright, and adopted.

On motion of Miss Van Marter, Mrs. H. M. Teller was transferred from Advisory Board to the office of Honorary Vice-President, and Mrs. John Neff, of Baltimore, was unanimously elected a member of the Advisory Board.

Mrs. Aiken read the nominations for Bureau Secretaries as recommended by the Board of Trustees, and, on motion, they were confirmed. (See pages 4 to 12.)

The report of the Bureau for Orientals was submitted by Mrs. L. P. Williams, Secretary, and the following pledges were made:

For Student Aid, San Francisco.—California, $1,200; Baltimore, $60; Central Pennsylvania, $60; Des Moines, $30; Detroit, $25; Central Ohio, $50; Genesee, $40; Illinois, $30; Indiana, $15; Iowa, $30; Maine, $20; Minnesota and Northern Minnesota, $60; New England, $15; New England Southern, $10; New York, $20; Central New York, $50; North Nebraska, $10; Mrs. C. M. Blaine, Roseville, N. J., $5; Mrs. Peck, $10; total, $1,740.

For Student Aid, Southern California.—Upper Iowa, $10; Michigan, $10; Wilmington, $10; Baltimore, $20; Mrs. A. W. Conklin, Mrs. Park, Mrs. Fisk, Mrs. Everett, Mrs. Arter, and Mrs. Schroyer paid $5 each; total, $80.

For Hawaii.—Des Moines, $30; Upper Iowa, $25; total, $55.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. C. H. Carhart presented the following resolution, which, on motion, was adopted by a rising vote:

Resolved, That our Recording Secretary be requested to send a message of condolence and sympathy to that true and tried friend of ours, Rev. A. B. Leonard, D. D., our senior Missionary Secretary, in the loss of his devoted wife, who entered into rest August 30th, and who was herself a sincere friend of our cause, and even in weakness and suffering carried its interests upon her heart, and who was instrumental, more than any other, in influencing her useful daughter, Mrs. May Leonard Woodruff, to enter our work.

Resolved, That we extend to our loved sister, Mrs. May Leonard Woodruff, sympathy and sincere thanks for her self-sacrificing service, who, while her heart is aching, has risen above her own sorrow to uplift and inspire us by her sweet songs.

Mrs. W. A. Brownell offered the following resolution, which, on motion, was adopted, and Mrs. Aiken requested to write a letter of love and sympathy to Mrs. Hagans:

WHEREAS, Death has removed from us the faithful friend and former legal adviser of this Society, Judge M. B. Hagans; therefore,

Resolved, That we tender to his afflicted family, and especially to our long-time beloved co-worker, Mrs. Hagans, our love and tenderest sympathy.

On motion of Mrs. Robinson, seconded by Mrs. D. L. Williams, a Committee on Legislation for the consideration of questions that may arise in relation to our Society before the General Conference of 1900, in Chicago, was appointed, as follows: Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk, Mrs. Jane Bancroft Robinson, Mrs. D. L. Williams, Mrs. F. A. Aiken, Mrs. W. C. Herron, Mrs. T. J. Everett, and Mrs. George H. Thompson.

On motion, Mrs. F. A. Beiler, Secretary, was granted an extension of time for the preparation of report of the Bureau for Alaska, the same to be in readiness for the printed Annual Report. Pledges were made as appended:

For Jesse Lee Hospital.—Baltimore, $100; Upper Iowa, $50: Minnesota and Northern Minnesota, $50; New England Southern, $15; Southern California, $25; Detroit, $75; Michigan, $30; Central Ohio, $50; Northern New York, $50; Philadelphia, $300; Vermont, $15; New York East, $60; Central New York, $50; Troy, $230; Mrs. J. E. Stevens, Manchester, Iowa, $1; total, $1,101.

For Salary.—Baltimore, $200; Wilmington, $5; North Indiana, $5; total, $210.

For Travel.—Harrisburg, Central Pennsylvania, $50; Mrs. S. A. Johnston, Omaha (paid), $5; Mrs. E. C. Stone, West Virginia (paid), $25; Michigan, Mrs. Masters (paid), $5; total, $85.

For Student Aid.—East Ohio, $50; New England Southern, $50; Central New York, $50; Newark, $50; Walnut Hills Circle, $50; Central Pennsylvania, $50; Troy, $50; Northwest Iowa, $50; Iowa, $50; Illinois, $50; Upper Iowa, $50; New Hampshire, $50; Vermont, $50;

Minnesota and Northern Minnesota, $100; New England, $50; Central Ohio, $50; Baltimore, $200; North Ohio, $25; Genesee, $50; total, $1,125.

Mrs. Fisk delivered a message of love from Bishop and Mrs. Walden, whom she met on their return from Europe.

At three o'clock the Convention resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole on Finance.

When the Committee arose, the Rev. E. L. Watson, D. D., of Washington, D. C., was introduced by Mrs. Fisk.

Mrs. W. Van Kirk, President of Pittsburg Conference Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, was presented to the Convention, and cordially greeted.

Mrs. Tomkinson exhibited a quilt, coming from the Jesse Lee Home, Ounalaska, made by girls ranging from eight to twelve years of age.

On motion of Mrs. Tomkinson, fifty-nine dollars were raised for the purchase of the quilt, the money to be applied on scholarship in Alaska, and the quilt to be presented to "The Elizabeth A. Bradley" Memorial Home for Homeless Children, at Oakdale, Allegheny County, Pa. Appended are the pledges and subscriptions: New England Southern, $1; Northwest Indiana, $1; Northern New York, $2; New England, $1; New York, $5; East Ohio, $5; Michigan, $1; Central Ohio, $1; North Nebraska, $1; Newark, $1; Iowa, $1; Minnesota and Northern Minnesota, $2; Miss Bancroft, $5; Isabella Yount, $1; Mrs. Hazlett, $1. Subscriptions were paid as follows: Mrs. A. V. P. Adams, $1; Mrs. L. W. Davis, $2; Mrs. Shepherd, $1; Mrs. Kent, $1; Mrs. Simpson, $1; Mrs. Alspaugh, $1; Mrs. A. E. Dwight, $1; Mrs. C. E. Mogg, $1; Mrs. Hoyt, $1; Mrs. Tomkinson, $1; Mrs. Gard, $1; Mrs. Dale, $1; Mr. Negus, $1; Mrs. Smith, $1; Wilson Black, Jr., $1; Mrs. Julia A. Rose, $1; Mrs. C. A. Jacobs, $1; Mrs. Franc T. Armstrong, $1; Junior League, Verona, Pa., $1; Mrs. Bodkin, $1; Mrs. Schroyer, $1; Mrs. Patch, $1; Miss Sutch, $1; A Friend, $1; A Friend, $1; Miss Van Marter, $1; Mrs. McWilliams, $1; Mothers' Jewels, of Sewickley, Pa., $1; James W. Kineer, $1.

Mrs. Fisk was given the pleasure and honor of making the presentation.

Mrs. Everett submitted the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That we request the Board of Trustees that in arranging the program for the Annual Meeting of the Board of Managers next year, a place be given for a "School of Methods," to consist of brief reports of special methods which have proved successful, by all classes of workers.

On motion, the Convention adjourned until 7.30 in the evening, after singing the doxology.

TUESDAY EVENING.

THE meeting was held in the lecture-room of Christ Church, with the faithful President, Mrs. Fisk, in the chair. "Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine," was sung, and selections from the Forty-first and Forty-second Psalms were read by Miss Henrietta Bancroft. Mrs. Roach offered a fervent prayer.

The Minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Gilbert, and adopted.

In the absence of Miss Charlotte A. Aikens, Director of Sibley Hospital, who was to have spoken of the year's work of this institution, Miss Henrietta A. Bancroft, Field Secretary for Deaconess Work, submitted statistics with reference to her work, showing that she had traveled thirty-one thousand miles, visited forty Deaconess Homes, and organized one Conference Society, more than thirty Auxiliaries and fifteen Young Ladies' Societies. She experienced the satisfaction of having $3,500 pass through her own hands into the treasury of the Society.

Mrs. Fisk expressed the thought that the action of the Society in sending forth a Field Secretary had paid, and paid well.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

Miss Iva May Durham, Deaconess-at-large, presented an outline of her work, with a conservative estimate of its achievements. One matter of special interest was the promise of a bequest, consisting of a house and farm, valued at $8,000. Miss Durham had delivered addresses and organized Auxiliaries as permanent sources of interest and helpfulness while traveling ten thousand miles, rejoicing at the ingathering not alone of money, but of precious souls, while expressing gratitude for a place of work in the ranks of so great a movement.

On motion, report was adopted. (See Report.)

The choir of Christ Church then sang "My God, my Father, while I stray."

The report of Sibley Hospital, as read by Mrs. D. B. Street, indicated excellent management and good results attained, though the building is too small to meet the needs and opportunities of Washington.

Upper Iowa Conference pledged $25 for Sibley Hospital.

On motion, the report was adopted. (See Report.)

Miss Durham then sang "He is not willing that any should perish."

Rev. E. L. Watson, D. D., Assistant Superintendent of the Lucy Webb Hayes National Training-school, Washington, D. C., in his address on "At Work in Many Fields," illustrated with the stereopticon, said in part: "Woman's century achievements mark it as the time when the emancipation to be consummated hereafter is now going on. Woman has entered all fields of usefulness, and shown herself to be great therein." He traced her development as a religious worker in the Roman Church to the Christian activities of the present time, with special mention of dea-

coness and missionary service in our own Church. Then followed views of our work in different sections of the country.

The meeting adjourned until nine o'clock, Wednesday morning. The benediction was pronounced by Rev. Dr. Watson.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

THE Convention opened with the President, Mrs. Fisk, in the chair. The devotional exercises were in charge of Mrs. M. J. Schoyer, of Allegheny City. "Nearer, my God, to thee," was sung, and Mrs. Schoyer read a beautiful lesson of faithfulness in nine verses of Mark xiv. The hymn, "More love to Thee, O Christ," was sung, when the business of the Convention was taken up.

The Minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Aiken, and adopted.

The Convention then, on motion, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole on Finance.

At one o'clock the President resumed the chair, and the order of business was taken up.

Miss Bancroft asked that the following ladies be confirmed as officers of the Montana Mission Conference: President, Mrs. W. J. Gamble, Chinook, Montana; Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs. N. E. Church, Helena, Montana.

The nominations, on motion, were confirmed.

At the request of the President, Mrs. Walker, of Louisiana, sang, to the delight of all, "Children, get on board."

Mrs. Gilbert read a sad communication received by Mrs. D. B. Street from Mrs. L. W. Bechtel, of Alexandria, Va., telling of the sudden death of her husband. Mrs. Roach said that Mrs. Bechtel was Corresponding Secretary of the Virginia Conference at its organization, and greatly interested in our work. She moved that Mrs. Gilbert convey to Mrs. Bechtel the symapthy of this Convention, and the motion prevailed.

Mrs. Fisk conveyed to the Convention the sad intelligence that Mrs. Hamilton had lost a beloved sister.

On motion of Mrs. Minard, sympathy most heartfelt was tendered Mrs. Hamilton in her sudden bereavement.

Mrs. J. H. Bayliss submitted the following, which, on motion, was adopted:

Resolved, That we tender to our beloved co-worker, dear Mrs. Albright, our sympathy in the loss of her noble, manly son, and pray that even in this great affliction she may see the loving hand of our Heavenly Father.

On motion, adjourned until two P. M. The doxology was sung, and the benediction pronounced by Rev. A. H. Lucas, D. D.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

THE closing session opened with the President, Mrs. Fisk, in the chair. Two stanzas of "How sweet the name of Jesus sounds" were sung, with Miss May Villa Patten in charge of the devotional exercises. The hymn, "Come, Holy Spirit, our hearts inspire," was also sung before Miss Patten read the first nine verses of the seventeenth chapter of Matthew, and led in prayer.

The Minutes of the previous session were read by Mrs. Potter, and adopted.

The report of the Committee on Publication was read by the Chairman, Mrs. F. S. Hoyt, discussed, and adopted. (See Report.)

The report of the Committee on Leaflets was given by Miss Martha Van Marter, the Chairman, discussed, and adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Everett submitted the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Leaflets be requested to publish an attractive leaflet setting forth the work of our Society and the needs of the various fields, to be accompanied by a map with all our centers of work plainly marked.

Adopted.

Mrs. Murphy petitioned for a book specially prepared for the use of Auxiliary Treasurers.

On motion, this was voted in the affirmative, and referred to the Committee on Publication.

Miss Fowler read the report of the Special Committee to take measures for interesting the young people of our Epworth Leagues in Home Mission work.

This was discussed, modified, and adopted. (See Report.)

The report of the Bureau for Local Work, by the Secretary, Mrs. E. B. Green, was presented, and Mrs. Green recommended that the Bureau for Local Work be merged into the Bureau for Supplies, inasmuch as a large part of the work reported to the Bureau for Local Work is that of supplies.

The recommendation was adopted. The report was also adopted. (See Report.)

The report of the Committee on Resolutions was read by the Chairman, Mrs. T. L. Tomkinson, and, on motion, adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Aiken offered the appended resolution, which, on motion, was adopted:

Resolved, That this body join the Recording Secretary in a warm expression of appreciation of the painstaking and efficient services of the Assistant Secretaries in recording the proceedings of this Convention.

On recommendation of Mrs. Plyley, Mrs. L. D. Dillon, of Knoxville, Tenn., was confirmed Corresponding Secretary of the Holston Conference.

On recommendation of Mrs. L. G. Murphy, Mrs. Hattie J. Torrence, Deadwood, S. D., was confirmed Corresponding Secretary of the Black Hills Conference.

Reports of Southern California and Louisiana Conferences were read by the respective Corresponding Secretaries, Mrs. P. H. Bodkin and Mrs. D. M. Walker, and adopted. (See Reports.)

Mrs. Mary Fisk Park reported an Auxiliary organized last evening by Mrs. D. M. Walker.

Mrs. C. W. Smith moved that the Recording Secretary convey the greetings of this body to the Executive Committee of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, now in session in Cleveland. Carried.

The report of the Bureau for Lectures and Home Missionary Reading Circle, Mrs. J. L. Trisler, Secretary, was, because of lack of time for its presentation, referred to the Board of Trustees.

Mrs. Aiken called attention to a large number of interesting reports from Conference Corresponding Secretaries who were unable to be present at this Convention, and, on motion, it was voted to have them printed in the Annual Report.

Mrs. B. S. Potter, General Organizer, submitted her report of good work accomplished, which was, on motion, adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. C. L. Roach submitted her report as General Organizer, which was, on motion, adopted. (See Report.)

General Organizers were then elected as found on page 13.

Mrs. D. L. Williams moved that the report of the Committee of the Whole on Finance be printed in the next number of *Woman's Home Missions* without reading, inasmuch as each item had been passed upon in the Committee of the Whole. Carried.

Mrs. Wiliams also moved that the representatives of the various Conferences bring to the Annual Meeting of the Board of Managers carefully-prepared lists of Student Aid and Special Fund Pledges, to be given as the various Homes and schools are called. Carried.

The report of the Committee on By-laws was presented by Mrs. T. J. Everett, and adopted. (See Report.)

Mrs. Dale asked permission to insert in Report of the Bureau for Supplies reports of Conference Supplies Secretaries that may be received later. Granted.

Mrs. Roach presented the following, which was adopted:

WHEREAS, Mrs. C. M. Brown, the efficient treasurer of the Baltimore Conference Society for years, is ill; therefore,

Resolved, That we extend to her and to Dr. C. W. Brown, one of the faithful physicians of Sibley Hospital, Washington, D. C., an expression of sympathy, praying that God may spare Mrs. Brown's valuable life.

The following preamble and resolution, submitted by Mrs. Robinson, was adopted:

WHEREAS, Frequent questions arise between the several Missionary Societies of the Methodist Episcopal Church in regard to the proper

construction of wills in which bequests are made to these several Societies without giving fully the true names under which the Societies are incorporated; and

WHEREAS, In the established order of the Methodist Episcopal Church there is no provision made for the settlement of these questions; therefore,

Resolved, That the Committee on Legislation, with Mrs. Delia Lathrop Williams as Chairman, be authorized and directed, in the name and on behalf of our Society, to memorialize the next General Conference to provide for the settlement of all questions and controversies arising between the Missionary Societies of our Church.

Mrs. Roach moved that Mrs. Fisk, Mrs. Robinson, and Mrs. Williams represent this body at the meeting of the Board of Bishops and Missionary Committee in Philadelphia, in November. Carried.

The Minutes of the early part of the afternoon session, read by Mrs. Aiken, and of the closing hour, by Mrs. Green, were, on motion, adopted.

The President, Mrs. Fisk, made an address of abiding influence, in which she expressed the thought patent to all that at no time in the history of the Society had there been a Convention over which the shadow of death hung so darkly, and never before had the reports given indication of such great progress. She said the demands upon the Society are greater, and counseled the delegates to go forth determined to work as never before. "When you find a duty facing you," she urged, "remember three words, *Do it now*, that you may learn promptness, and that your work may be easier."

Three stanzas of "My faith looks up to Thee" were sung worshipfully.

Mrs. Clara L. Roach, in conducting the devotional exercises, said that Bishop Newman and wife never parted without clasping hands and repeating the 121st Psalm, and then requested that all present would join hands and repeat the Traveler's Psalm. After this impressive service, Mrs. Roach offered a prayer that linked heaven and earth together.

"And heaven came down our souls to greet,
While glory crowned the mercy seat."

One stanza of "Blest be the tie that binds" was sung, the Lord's Prayer offered in unison, and the inspiring Eighteenth Annual Meeting of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church adjourned.

MRS. F. A. AIKEN, RECORDING SECRETARY.

MRS. E. L. ALBRIGHT,
MRS. B. S. POTTER,
MRS. E. B. GREEN,
MRS. J. E. GILBERT,
} *Assistants.*

REPORT OF CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

PREPARED BY

MRS. E. L. ALBRIGHT.

AT the first quarterly-meeting of the Board of Trustees Mrs. Rust submitted for indorsement an open letter, which called attention to the Twentieth-century Offering proposed by the General Church. She suggested earnest co-operation in the matter by an appeal to the women of our Society for special contributions for the extension of our work, and special effort for an increase of its membership.

In harmony with this action, the appeal for a Twentieth-century Offering was prepared and sent out. It is readily conceded by the Committee in charge of the Thank-offering Fund that our schools, Orphanages, Homes, and Missions are as much entitled to share in the fund as any; and they cordially approve of the call we have made. To aid in securing the twenty-five thousand additional members appealed for, a membership blank was provided, which has been favorably received by the workers throughout the country.

The memorial regarding the "Tithe," approved by this body at the last Annual Meeting, and ordered to be sent to the Board of Bishops, asking their co-operation in the matter of bringing this subject more forcibly before the Church through the Annual Conferences, was presented to that body by Bishop Warren.

While no definite action was taken binding them according to the terms of the memorial, the idea was generally approved, and it was left to the individual judgment and action of the Bishops to recommend it to the several Conferences.

In response to a communication from the Presbyterian Woman's Board of Home Missions to sister Boards, asking for the appointment of a Committee to arrange for concerted action against the pernicious influence exercised by the personal and systematic distribution of Mormon literature among Christians and others, the President, Mrs. Fisk, was empowered to act for the Society. Leaflets have been prepared and sent out, calling attention to the increased activity of the Mormon Church and the falsity of the doctrines which they so earnestly and persistently promulgate; and a protest has been circulated against the seating of Congressman-elect Roberts in the National Congress.

In view of the excellent service done the cause of missions by the series of seven maps marking the mission stations of the General Missionary Society and the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, a petition was sent to the Missionary Committee, asking that two or more additional maps be published, on which shall be marked the missions and schools of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

A letter received from Dr. Leonard expresses regret that this request was not made before the present edition was published, and gives the assurance that when a future edition is published the request will be complied with.

Conference Corresponding Secretaries have reported during the year unusual interest, amounting in some Conferences to enthusiasm. One new Conference organization is reported, that of Montana.

General and Conference Organizers have given faithful service, and have reported the formation of a large number of new Auxiliaries, the most remote of these being an Auxiliary organized by Mrs. Newman in the First Methodist Church of Honolulu in June last.

A Japanese woman has been employed to labor among the Japanese in Hawaii, and it is suggested that her work be attached to this Auxiliary.

Our General Officers have placed no limit to their services; time and strength have been freely given, and as you listen to the reports of the Bureau Secretaries and the various Committees you will be satisfied that all have been true to the interests committed to them.

Reports from the Bureau for Young People indicate a growing interest in the work of our Society among the young people of the Church, and an increase in the membership in many Conferences.

Miss Bancroft, our Field Secretary, has traveled over twenty-five thousand miles, has visited all the Deaconess Homes, as well as many schools and special missions; organized the Montana Conference, the eighty-second Conference, and been of invaluable service, not only to the Deaconess Bureau, but to every department of work.

The work in the Immigrant Bureau has kept pace with the increasing numbers that come to our shores, constantly developing new lines of activity among them, and winning favor with the Government officials at our ports of entry.

The reports of the Indian and Frontier Bureau show increased efficiency at all stations.

The Puget Sound Conference is looking carefully after the interests of our Stickney Home, Lynden, Washington.

The Yakima Mission, in the Columbia River Conference, is under constant revival influence.

Mrs. Miller's work is marked by success in teaching Indians to con-

tribute to Home and Foreign Missions. Under her influence the Government and Church officials are warm and helpful friends of our work.

At Ukiah, California, our missionary has been successful in bringing to justice many liquor-dealers who have been illegally providing the Indians of his circuit with whisky.

An earnest appeal comes from Mrs. Elizabeth Parker, of Kansas Conference, whose liberal pledges at Minneapolis last year will be remembered, for the renewal of work among the Kansas Indians, the Sac and Fox, Kickapoos, and Potawatomies.

During the past year a new building for school-room, with dormitories on either end, has been erected at the Navajo Mission at Jewett, New Mexico, and a school was opened early in January, where they had an enrollment of thirteen Navajo, and about as many white children. The teacher says the Indian children made as rapid progress as did the white, and some even more. Some improvement was made in the buildings at the mission at Dulce, New Mexico.

The Spanish work in New Mexico grows in interest and extent, and the development of the girls in our Homes clearly indicates the possibilities of the race.

One hundred and fifty pupils of divers colors, creeds, and nationalities have been enrolled in our school at Key West, Florida, and cared for by our devoted missionary, who has had sharp, and not friendly, competition to contend with, and no suitable help.

Excellent work on industrial lines has been done at Marcy Home, Chicago; but the necessity of renting a portion of the building because of the debt upon it has restricted the social lines of work, which give to such institutions as Hull House and other similar institutions such great renown as promising factors in solving the social problem. With the canceling of the debt and the use of the entire building, the scope of work can be greatly enlarged.

At King Home, Marshall, Texas, the upper story has been completed, an economical and satisfactory heating arrangement provided, and a small piece of adjoining land purchased.

Additions have been made to Thayer Home at Atlanta, Georgia, and the building put in thorough repair and the grounds improved.

At Watts de Peyster Home, Tivoli, New York, the dormitories have been repainted and other improvements made.

A commodious Industrial Hall in connection with Simpson Home, at Orangeburg, S. C., is being built. The exterior is completed, but funds are needed for finishing the interior. When finished, it will furnish every convenience for the very large industrial classes that come to our Home from Claflin University.

Browning Home, Camden, S. C., has received from its life-long friend, Mrs. James Mather, the sum of $1,200 for the erection of a cottage for self-boarding pupils.

Building plans have been selected for the Bennett Industrial Home at Clarkson, Miss., for which a conditional appropriation of $1,000 was made last year. One thousand six hundred dollars for this purpose has already been paid into the treasury, and the erection of a much larger and better building than was first proposed has been made possible by the generosity of Mrs. Bennett.

The Italian work in New Orleans is assuming importance. There is a population of fifty thousand of this nationality to be reached. Many of the people are nominally Catholics, but are out of harmony with that Church, and ready to accept the Protestant faith. In the opinion of the Bureau Secretary, the work has reached a crisis where we must either advance or lose much that we have gained. A Home is needed that can be kept open throughout the year, so that permanent results may be obtained. Propositions regarding this matter will no doubt be presented in the Finance Committee.

The lot in New Orleans upon which Peck Home formerly stood has been sold for $9,000 cash.

The necessity for acquiring a property at San Francisco, Cal., for a Chinese Girls' Home will require the careful consideration of this body.

In May a communication was received from Dr. Palmer, Missionary Secretary, saying that, in view of the expansion of the work of the Missionary Society among the Chinese in San Francisco and the need of all their facilities for carrying on the work, the Board deemed it necessary that the entire building in that city should be used, and it was no longer feasible to lend our Society the rooms it has been occupying. The matter will, no doubt, be fully presented in the report of the Oriental Bureau.

Dr. George Hamlin, President of Mallalieu Seminary, Kinsey, Ala., a school established for the benefit of white people in Southeastern Alabama and Western Florida, petitioned early in the year for the establishment of an Industrial Home in connection with their work, offering to provide the building and furnish it, if we would provide the Superintendent. They have since purchased a two-story house with eight rooms and a large hall, located on a lot of about two and one-half acres, opposite the school-building, and containing two small buildings, fruit-trees, and shrubbery. The house has been painted and neatly and comfortably furnished, and will accommodate fifteen girls. By special request of Dr. Hamlin, Mrs. Gunn, formerly Miss Jackman, of Clarkson, has been sent to open the work, her husband having received an appointment in the Conference.

This action has been taken, anticipating the approval of this meeting and the necessary appropriation.

The National Training-school has opened the present year with fifty-five students and teachers in residence. On account of the limited accommodations, twenty-nine students are lodging in rented rooms outside the school property.

While it is a hopeful sign for the future growth of the institution, the overcrowded condition as to lodging, boarding, and lecture-rooms is to be deplored, not only because it involves actual physical discomfort, but also because it prevents the best development of the students mentally, socially, and spiritually. It is difficult to maintain one's personal dignity, and well-nigh impossible to think with clearness, when one is jostled by neighbors all too close on both sides. It is earnestly to be hoped that Rust Hall may soon be built, to stand as the memorial of a saintly life, and to perpetuate and multiply that life a thousand-fold.

The students who have presented themselves this year are, without exception, of an earnest type of mind and of good religious experience. They show great diversity in their literary qualifications. While some are deficient in the first principles of an English education, others show good intelligence and fair equipment, and some ask for advanced training in a number of Biblical and industrial lines of work. The need for a better systematized plan of work to meet these calls is urgent and even imperative. Some standard for entrance must be established, and opportunities for higher studies provided.

The Sibley Memorial Hospital is increasing in patronage, and is receiving the indorsement and countenance of the best physicians of the community. But the capacity of the Hospital is by no means adequate to the calls made on it. The need of a larger number of private rooms for paying patients is especially apparent.

The local Board of Sibley Hospital has purchased an adjoining property for three thousand dollars, to be used as a ward for colored people, the Board agreeing to provide the interest on the debt.

The payment of two thousand dollars, the price asked by the Missionary Society for the land on which Davis Home, Salt Lake City, stands, gives us the entire ownership of that property.

All matters pertaining to the work of the Deaconess Bureau will be so fully presented during the time allotted for that department, that mention here is unnecessary.

The Mothers' Jewels Home at York, Nebraska, receives by the will of Miss Hannah C. Dever, of Springfield, Mo., one section of land in Franklin County, Nebraska, which will probably in time be of considerable value.

A property at Rensselaer, New York, for a Deaconess Home, comes to the Society as the gift of Mrs. Hannah Elizabeth Griffin.

Other gifts of property for use in deaconess work will be reported by that Bureau.

STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

CONFERENCES.	No. Organizations	MEMBERSHIP.					Life-members	Honorary Managers	Honorary Patrons	Woman's Home Missions	Children's Home Missions
		Auxiliaries.	Mission Circles	Mission Bands	Mothers' Jewels	Home Mission Reading Circle.					
Baltimore	67	2867	197	.....	.....	212	36	10	3	650	.....
California	44	157	127	7	.....	.....	13	.....	.....	203	.....
Central Illinois	3	77	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	10	.....
Central Missouri	3	43	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....
Central New York	94	1582	334	301	470	38	126	6	1	609	.....
Central Ohio	53	1236	101	157	36	.....	137	10	7	216	.....
Central Pennsylvania	40	850	106	.....	755	154	80	4	.....	223	.....
Cincinnati	101	1605	260	266	485	61	390	38	17	615	.....
Colorado	32	610	.....	20	195	.....	47	2	.....	124	.....
Columbia River	5	64	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	.....	.....	.....	.....
Des Moines	11	222	1	.....	.....	.....	7	.....	.....	70	.....
Detroit	104	2460	151	59	197	21	264	35	.....	707	.....
East Maine	4	29	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
East Ohio	47	820	10	6	87	22	137	10	2	249	.....
East Tennessee	17	114	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15	.....
Erie	63	1322	49	11	154	10	141	4	.....	489	.....
Florida	15	100	20	.....	.....	.....	13	.....	.....	10	.....
Genesee	102	1908	182	85	335	136	114	6	14	586	.....
Holston	2	18	60	.....	.....	.....	1	1	.....	4	.....
Idaho	5	7	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Illinois	24	649	.....	.....	20	.....	21	3	.....	174	.....
Indiana	51	1024	79	91	272	16	141	3	.....	244	.....
Iowa	43	637	61	29	141	.....	12	1	.....	251	.....
Kansas	13	214	.....	85	10	.....	26	.....	.....	91	.....
Kentucky	3	13	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1	1	.....	.....
Louisiana	35	220	.....	.....	27	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Maine	29	498	.....	.....	.....	.....	24	.....	.....	107	.....
Michigan	61	1253	32	10	8	.....	118	.....	.....	425	.....
Minnesota and North. Minnesota	36	742	45	.....	145	.....	46	.....	.....	196	.....
Missouri	11	116	.....	.....	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	.....
Montana	7	100	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13	.....
Nebraska	30	416	5	.....	70	.....	28	.....	.....	49	.....

Newark	70	1419	225	224	417	.....	113	5	.....	407	.....
New England	112	1928	207	103	763	.....	271	31	14	720	.....
New England Southern	40	970	112	60	62	14	60	18	.....	351	.....
New Hampshire	28	377	36	.....	139	.....	12	4	.....	83	.....
New Jersey	56	1558	193	71	299	55	35	3	.....	180	.....
New Mexico Mission	2	67	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....
New York	35	934	62	.....	.....	.....	12	7	.....	119	.....
New York East	24	740	113	.....	.....	.....	15	3	.....	158	.....
North Indiana	58	1323	120	106	237	14	46	2	4	337	.....
North Nebraska	16	246	12	25	50	.....	2	.....	.....	71	.....
North Ohio	47	1180	35	5	141	.....	209	.....	.....	381	.....
Northern New York	91	1354	355	161	257	60	33	5	.....	386	.....
Northwest Indiana	20	453	43	30	59	.....	18	.....	.....	112	.....
Northwest Iowa	113	1227	152	66	519	41	57	4	.....	434	.....
Northwest Kansas	7	181	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	17	.....
Northwest Nebraska	5	75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ohio	43	996	126	102	355	49	268	10	1	337	.....
Oklahoma	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Oregon	21	348	.....	11	17	.....	47	2	.....	42	.....
Philadelphia	38	1153	.....	42	79	1	173	39	5	468	.....
Pittsburg	50	1293	168	190	117	.....	81	5	1	324	.....
Puget Sound	43	450	60	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	130	.....
Rock River	60	1340	.....	.....	.....	.....	129	35	11	303	.....
St. Louis	6	169	.....	.....	32	.....	.....	.....	.....	84	.....
South Carolina	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	3	.....	.....	.....
South Kansas	5	86	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	.....	.....	14	.....
Southern California	100	1239	341	420	292	36	35	4	1	280	.....
Southwest Kansas	29	522	39	24	.....	43	58	1	.....	178	.....
Tennessee	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Texas	2	42	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	8	.....
Troy	72	1708	315	144	118	10	128	14	4	569	.....
Upper Iowa	75	1636	28	.....	71	18	125	14	3	518	.....
Utah Mission	7	126	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	24	.....
Vermont	23	347	76	106	24	.....	45	6	.....	121	.....
Virginia	3	34	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	11	.....
West Nebraska	6	107	.....	.....	.....	.....	7	.....	.....	64	.....
West Texas	25	261	.....	.....	200	.....	3	.....	.....	39	.....
West Virginia	6	118	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
West Wisconsin	24	413	51	.....	15	3	37	.....	.....	82	.....
Wilmington	40	617	118	194	259	41	9	5	.....	169	.....
Wisconsin	15	339	10	50	30	.....	2	.....	.....	103	.....
Wyoming	43	958	147	54	737	63	122	6	.....	298	.....
Totals	2618	50307	4984	3355	8704	1118	4097	360	90	14357	8700

THE WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY
OF THE TWENTIETH CENTURY.

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IT has been well said that, "the relation of Home Missions to the evangelization of the world is the relation of the root to the tree; of the fountain to the stream." No thoughtful student of the times can fail to apprehend that America—late-born among the nations though she be—has yet a most important part assigned her in giving the gospel to the world, and that, in order to meet her obligation, she must become broadly and deeply Christian herself. No compromising form of Christianity will avail. An individual, a Church, or a nation which says never so loudly, "Lord, Lord!" but does not "*do* the things that He says," so far from speeding on their way the wheels of God's beneficent chariots, is surely and painfully blocking their progress.

This broad and ever-broadening land is daily making new demands upon us, both as Christians and patriots. It is said that the United States Government adds one thousand new post-offices to its roll every year. It stirs our national pride to know this; but does it stir our hearts as Christians? Think of it for a moment,—a thousand new centers of population means a thousand new openings for Christian effort. Satan and his active forces recognize their opportunity at once, and a thousand new saloons and other danger-points are opened without delay. Too often, unhappily, Christ's men and women permit the hosts of evil to pre-empt the ground; the children and youth of the new community become fascinated by the glittering allurements of sin, and the young society, at the very outset, takes on the stamp of Christlessness, and becomes fixed in it. When the Home Missionary does enter the weed-grown field, he finds unbelief, indifference, and open blasphemy with which to contend. Into such a community as this came, a few months ago, almost by chance as it seemed, one of the organizers of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. She was frankly informed that it was an "infidel town," and she scarcely hoped for a hearing. But the people came, listened thoughtfully, and showed their appreciation by contributing according to their means, to the organization which came to them *in the name of Christian civilization.*

A recent letter from a frontier preacher tells of a brother minister who

went into a place of this character and bravely set up the banner of the Cross. For weeks this man of God, after a day spent in mighty struggle with the powers of darkness, slept at night, wrapped in his blanket, on the hard floor of his mission hall. Why? Not a citizen of the town would so demean himself as to invite to his home a preacher of the gospel of Christ, and this in Christian America! It is good to know that this brave soldier—and no braver ever fought at Manila or at Santiago—held on his way until he had conquered a peace, and that to-day a prosperous Church is to be found in that once Christless town, and Christ's ambassador is an honored guest in the best homes of the community.

But why Christless communities in our Christian land? Why? The answer can be given in a word: God's treasury overdrawn—Satan's treasury full!

It would be well if the Church of Christ, as often as once a year at least, might be brought face to face with home mission workers from the front—those dauntless spirits who are giving ease, comfort, and even life itself, to the glorious work *of building a new race*, for it is nothing short of this toward which the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society tends. Observe how God is sending the nations of the earth to our shores, to absorb our Western civilization, and to gradually become one with the dominant Anglo-Saxon race in spirit and in aim. How strange and conglomerate the material! How apparently inadequate the means employed to secure the result! But back of all stands the Divine Builder, patiently directing and disposing his agencies, urging on or retarding, as to his wisdom seems best, and using mightily the simple, believing souls who are in accord with his plans, to hasten the coming of his Day through the upbuilding of the new race, which shall learn righteousness. To this work the "Larger Motherhood" of our day and age is nobly lending itself, and to how noble a purpose,—the saving of America, as Dr. Strong says, "not for America's sake, but for the world's sake!"

Sisters, how exalted this work to which we are called—to be the mothers of a new race, bearing, rearing, nourishing—with pain and sore travail of spirit, indeed; but also with holy rejoicing that we may thus be at one with God in the redemption of the world to Him!

How gladly would we give place to workers from our great mission fields, who could show you in the light of their own personal experience some of the immediate needs of this favored land. A missionary from far Alaska might tell you, with the pathos and power born of hand-to-hand contact with such evils, of the superstition that starves and beats an innocent child of five years because a witch doctor has declared the little one possessed by an evil spirit! A consecrated worker from Utah might seek to translate to you the throbbing heart-wails of a Mormon wife and mother. A missionary teacher from New Mexico would tell you, perhaps with falling tears, how she wept and prayed in vain to save a sweet, converted Mexican girl from the fate to which the cupidity

of her own father condemned her, in selling the beautiful young life to an evil-minded old man! And so they might pass before you, a long procession, from the dark places of our land, each with her story of sorrow and of sin, and surely their powerful and pathetic facts would stir hearts to some worthy realization of the tremendous work that lies before us in making America Christian, in order that she may meet her share of the obligation of bringing this sin-blighted world to the feet of the Crucified One!

There is no gloomy outlook to bring before you. To our thought and hope, the Twentieth Century is bright with promise. Gloriously so is it when we lift our eyes above the mists and damps of this lower world to the light that shines on the high hills of God's promises. The Man of Galilee has not lived and died in vain. His life to-day is reappearing in countless forms and fashions, which, too often, we do not recognize or comprehend. The intensely practical gospel of the Sermon on the Mount is coming in increasing measure to be believed and practiced. "Tongues are dead," says Matheson, "prophecies are dying, but *Charity* is born! Our castles rise into the air and vanish, but Love is bending lower every day. Man says, 'Let us make a tower on earth which shall reach up to heaven,' but God says, 'Let us make a tower in heaven which shall descend to the earth.'" Blessedly true it is that "God's in his heaven," and although all is not yet "right with the world," his Church is awaking to the duty and privilege of hastening on the day when again he may look upon the work of his hands, and pronounce it "very good."

Christianity is advancing with great strides. In the year 1800, there were 200,000,000 of nominal Christians in the world. Only eighty years later there were 415,000,000—the gain in eighty years being more than the entire gain of the previous 1,800 years!

A recent scientific book entitled, "The Wonderful Century," states that more facts have been discovered in the last fifty years than in the preceding five thousand years. The same authority declares that of the great inventions of the world, only seven were made previous to the nineteenth century, while thirteen have been made during this century, in the closing days of which we are privileged to live and labor! Is not the world indeed "moving into light," and has not He who gave us being at this time in the world's history a purpose in our living? And may we, *dare* we fail to open our eyes upon the glowing signs of the times?

It is the call of God, heard and obeyed, to join heart and hand in the effort to make America Christian which has led to the organization of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, a great association of mother hearts, and which has held her these years past, true to her call. A glance at the work begun, and that which remains to be done, may well precede a hopeful outlook into the new century, to the dawn of which we have come.

The work already begun is an oft-told story to many of us, but always new and inspiring, because it is the story of the onward march of God. The work among the colored girls of the South, inaugurated with the sacred gift of a golden half-eagle from the noble mother of our noble Bishop Gilbert Haven, has grown and widened and deepened, until to-day we can number thousands of our dark-faced sisters who, in the industrial schools of our Society in the South, have been lifted to a plane of pure and intelligent living, and who are bringing forth fruit, not alone in their individual lives, but in the lives of thousands reached and blessed by them. Many teachers have gone out from these schools; large numbers are engaged in various useful occupations, and are thus elevating the standard of life all about them, while many of our graduates are the capable wives of young professional men, educated in the schools of the Freedmen's Aid Society. It is but a few weeks since one of the graduates of an Industrial School of the Woman's Home Missionary Society sent her wedding cards to Mrs. Fisk, as any other lady of the land might have done! She married an educated Christian gentleman, a professor in one of the schools of the Freedmen's Aid Society. He had been taken in hand by our big brother society, and fitted to become a leader among his own people, and the bride he has chosen is not a whit behind him in the race.

It is work of this sort that has been begun by the Woman's Home Missionary Society, and which, please God, she will carry on while the need remains, in behalf of these American sisters of ours, born on our soil, speaking our language, and who must, for weal or woe, wield a wide influence upon our national life. To meet our share of the obligation resting upon us as a Church, the number of our homes and schools in behalf of the colored people should be many times multiplied.

We point with just pride to the three noble schools for mountain whites of the South under the care of our Society. Truly the work in this direction is but just begun. The women of the Methodist Episcopal Church should see to it that this fruitful field be more adequately cultivated. Capable, even brilliant girls are found in these mountain retreats, looking with longing eyes toward "the pore girls' school," the only star of hope which appears on their narrow horizon. Poverty, pride, superstition, all unite to hold them in a bondage from which it is morally certain they can not escape, save as Christian people in other and more favored parts of our land unite to make it possible for them, through the open door of education, to break from this thralldom of the generations.

We have learned, in our blessed Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, enough of the sad conditions of womanhood in *Old* Mexico to make us long to reach out a helping hand to our sisters in *New* Mexico, dwarfed and suffering under the same deadly superstitions, and none the less demanding our sympathy and help because born under our own flag.

Nor have we been unmindful, as a Society, of the Indians in various parts of our land. In schools and missions we are teaching the youth and children, while men and women of the tepee and tent are glad to learn from our missionaries something of the marvels of civilized life, and the far more wonderful story of the life beyond the stars. One of our missionaries, a woman of both gifts and graces, who, without waiting for ordination, preaches to her dusky flock with zeal and results, wrote during the past summer that twenty were at the altar of prayer at the close of the preaching service on an intensely hot day in July, at least five of whom, she said, gave evidence of real conversion. This preacher knows that souls can be saved in summer's heat as well as in winter's cold.

A single gleaming lighthouse has been set on Alaska's shores by our Society, and as is their way, the women have begun the work at the fountain-head of the home. Boys and girls, saved out of the most dreadful heathen conditions and superstitions, are being civilized and trained into young soldiers of the Cross. Already we have been able to send a number of the more advanced and promising pupils of the Jesse Lee Industrial Home at Unalaska to the Government School at Carlisle, Pa., to receive more complete training than we are able to give at present, and we have good hope and promise that at least *some* of these young Alaskans will one day be missionary teachers and preachers among their own people.

The Society finds abundant and greatly-needed work to do for heathen on the Pacific Coast. There brave, sweet women risk their lives, not once but many times, in the attempt to save Chinese girls from a fate far worse than death. During the past thirty years more than four hundred have been rescued and saved through the agency of the missionaries. A part of this time the work was carried on by the Woman's Missionary Society of the Pacific Coast, and more recently by the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Many children are taught in the missions of San Francisco and of Southern California, and now and again some rescued and converted girl returns to her native land, a veritable missionary, to retell the story of love and grace to her friends, who still sit in the shadow of heathenism.

The mother heart of this Society goes out to neglected and helpless childhood, and the work of rescue and Christian training of such has been well begun through the National Homes thus far established. In some of our large cities, mission houses are illustrating the advanced thought of the day in many of its best features, in the teaching and training of the children of the streets. More than 2,200 of the children and youth of the Chicago slums passed through the classes, industrial, social, and religious, of Marcy Home, Chicago, last year, while a correspondingly large number were being helped and blessed through the educating and evangelizing agencies employed in Glenn Home, Cincinnati.

In addition to these, and engaged in the same broad and far-reaching lines of work, with added features of house-to-house and heart-to-heart service, are a goodly number of Deaconess Homes, under the care of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. Who shall be able to compute the influence which the industrial and religious work carried on through these Homes must have upon the social and economic life of the cities of the land, with their industrial classes of many sorts, their kindergartens, kitchengardens, sewing-schools, mothers' meetings, boys' clubs, girls' clubs, Sunday-schools, and evangelistic services?

There are wise men who say that if the Woman's Home Missionary Society existed only to carry on the work for immigrant girls with its preventive and restraining influence, it would have abundant cause for being. At three of our great ports of entry, missionaries are stationed to meet the incoming and unwary girls with kind and helpful advice, and a sister's helping hand when needed. In New York and Boston, large Homes are opened to afford shelter and care to unprotected girls; and that this thoughtful love is appreciated, witness these facts—that donations of money often come to our Homes from former guests, who, with grateful hearts, make their offering out of their deep poverty. It is not an unusual thing for these girls to come back to the only home they know on this side the water, to be married, and when the new family is established, sometimes the tiny stranger that comes to bless the union is brought to the dear Home for the christening.

Of other lines of wise and helpful work already undertaken by this Society, we may not pause to speak. That she has eyes that are open, a heart that is warm, and sympathies that are alert to humanity's calls, is sufficiently apparent. That she will not retrace her steps or falter by the way we may be sure, for the work has been begun, is continued, and will be completed "for the love of Christ and in His name."

The Twentieth-century Call issued by the Church ought to thrill the heart of every one who prays "Thy kingdom come." There is inspiration in the call for twenty millions of dollars to help hasten the coming of the day when "all shall know the Lord." The beautiful dream of the onward march of Christ's soldiers, with something of the swing and spirit which the greatness of the victory to be won demands, is a dream which we may help to make real. That this Twentieth-century Call may lift the Church to a plane of enthusiastic giving, and of higher, holier living, let us unitedly and earnestly pray.

But a higher call than this is sounded. The Church of John Wesley is asked to put on her beautiful garments and win two million souls to Christ as she enters the glorious dawn of the new century.

What part shall the Woman's Home Missionary Society have in this work which angels might well covet? A goodly part, indeed, with three hundred and fifty evangelists already in the field. But we may not, we must not, relegate the work of soul-winning to our agencies for good. As individual members of the Society, we should bring our thank-offerings

of the gold of earth to help hasten the coming of the kingdom, and equally—nay more, by as much as the one is higher than the other—should we bring our thank-offering of service, and each go forth to win at least one soul for Christ during the year that follows this annual feast to which we have come.

Who can compute the result, if each worker and visitor here should return to her Auxiliary filled with the spirit of consecration and zeal in behalf of the Christless ones within her reach, and thus become a flaming torch to impart heat and light to her sisters! The Woman's Home Missionary Society! Truly, she may become a city set on a hill if she so desire. The opportunity is hers. Instead of regarding her little groups of women here and there as small collecting centers—good, indeed, thus far—if she will but call upon each Auxiliary to become in a sense the heart of the Church, a center of moral and spiritual power, what may we not see accomplished? It is true here, as everywhere in God's universe, that if we seek *first* the kingdom of God, all things will be added to us. Has not the time come for a great spiritual uplift to come to the Woman's Home Missionary Society? Home missionaries we must be in spirit and in deed, as well as in name. We must know intimately the poor, the Christless, the unchurched families in our midst. We must consider it part of our work, as members of a Home Missionary Society, to co-operate with the pastor in going after the young, seeking out the stranger, counseling the erring, and carrying good tidings to the hopeless and helpless. We must be able to say with confidence to the outsider, "Come with us, and we will do thee good," and then make good our promise by bringing her into an atmosphere so warm, so throbbing with the vitality of an unmistakable Christ-life, that all coldness and possible indifference to the claims of the needy will be melted in the warm rays of the glorious Sun of righteousness.

Beloved friends, not until we practically, as well as theoretically, seek God *first* in all our work, forgetting in our absorption with him to take anxious thought, even for the money wherewith to carry on the work, shall we find our coffers full and running over, and his joy fulfilled in the work of our hands!

May we not linger on the threshold of the new century, to gaze for a moment with prophetic—nay, rather with discerning, because faith-enlightened vision, into the years that lie just over the border? It is wise to trace the heavenly successes of the past, that we may gather courage and strength for the days to come. The nearly twenty years of our life as a Society have by no means been lean and barren years, yet as compared with those that are to come, we verily believe that we shall one day count this period as but "the day of small things." If in less than a score of years, while so much of time and energy had necessarily to be given to making our way, we have yet been able to inaugurate work calling for property valued at above a half million of dollars to house it, while three hundred and fifty missionaries and deaconesses are diligently

carrying life and light into dark places under the direction of the Society, what may we not pray for and expect during the next score of years!

In the realm of physics we are taught that a moving body gathers momentum as it advances, and in accordance with this law, how justly may we look to see our beloved Society move onward with ever-increasing volume of speed in the race to be run toward the Golden Age of Christ's love and grace!

Let us turn our eyes southward, and look forward a score of years into the twentieth century. At present we have eighteen Industrial Homes in the South, working happily and successfully under the direction of the Society. May we not hope to see, twenty years hence, at least twenty more such Homes, scattered here and there in the most needy quarters? Surely, it is not too much to pray for and expect, that in view of the increase of the colored race in numbers, the fact that the colored man is armed with that mighty weapon, the ballot, and the further fact that to a large degree his chance of becoming a worthy citizen depends upon his home surroundings, we shall make increase of one new House of Hope each year of the new century for these our sorely-needy sisters. But we may see more in our forward glance than an increase of the Society's activities in this direction. We may see thousands of young women whom we have trained in the art of home-making going out by the hundreds year after year, to join hands and hearts courageously in the uplifting of a long and deeply-oppressed race. It is a sight to make angels glad, and as we look, we breathe the oft-repeated prayer once more, "God bless the Woman's Home Missionary Society!"

Turn for a moment to Alaska, the land of gold and of unlooked-for possibilities. To faith's prophetic eye, vast changes may be wrought in twenty years of the twentieth century. These desert islands have begun to blossom as the rose. Native teachers trained in the Industrial Homes of the Society, native nurses trained in the hospital, which is soon to be a realized hope, go in and out among the people, while little chapels of worship rising here and there, tidy and comfortable Christian homes from which the voice of praise and prayer daily ascend, all reveal the blessed fact that our labor has not been in vain "in the Lord." The faithful workers in the Home now planted on Alaskan soil, under the care of this Society, have been making ready for just such a harvest as this during toilsome years, and with the cumulative power of good behind, and labors shared and supplemented in the native homes by native teachers, what have we not the right to expect for these, our very own home heathen? Friends, does the vision seem unreal to you? But we may make it real, if we will hold up the hands of our far-seeing apostle to Alaska, with patient faith and untiring zeal.

Yet once again let us look out upon our far western horizon. Great cities will have risen a score of years hence, like magic, upon these western plains. And still there will be much land to be possessed. Still new communities will spring up, and still the need will continue

for the pioneer preacher of Christ's gospel. Satan will be none the less busy then than now; but it may be, it must be, that the Church of Christ will be far busier than now. Even as a life-giving water-course, turned by the enterprise of man toward an arid waste, transforms barrenness into beauty, so must the Church of Christ be alert and wise to direct streams of living waters upon these barren moral wastes.

Let us note in our prophetic vision a single one of these new communities. As yet no church-spire points heavenward, but here we may find a kindergarten school, taught by the cheerful Home Missionary deaconess, who daily gathers the little ones about her to pre-empt them for God and heaven, and who on the Sabbath-day finds happy employ in the Sunday-school and in the Bible service, where men and women gather to hear practical expositions of the Word of Life from one whom they have learned to love and trust amid the hard conditions which accompany all pioneer effort, and who is to them, for the time being, the visible expression of the higher and diviner things of life. That these heaven-called evangelists will greatly increase in numbers and efficiency during the next score of years, who can question? They have come to the kingdom for such a time as this, and where men intent upon getting gold forget the one thing needful, and do not pause in the mad rush long enough to reflect that they have souls, there let the Home Missionary deaconess be found preparing the way in the infidel town, in the Christless community, for the Methodist preacher who is sure to come. Gentle John the Baptists are these, and the Woman's Home Missionary Society can do no better or more enduring work than to send them out, two by two, as went the apostles of old, not to win name or fame, but to win souls for Christ.

The prophetic glance at other fields reveals the same wonderful growth and uplifting promise. The law holds good. "To him that hath shall be given." As the Society has labored in faith and patience, with small resources and often discouraging obstructions in the way, it has slowly grown to "have" in the kingdom of heaven sense, and therefore is entitled to "have more abundantly." Do you see how glorious is the law of heavenly accumulation? The man of many millions says it was the first hundred dollars that was hardest to secure. If in less than twenty years the Woman's Home Missionary Society has gained place and opportunity for three hundred and fifty missionary and deaconess workers, may she not with confident hope look to welcome the thousands when another score of years has passed? The Lord of the harvest has intrusted to this Society much of the glorious seed of the kingdom to sow. Hear him, as "he bends from out the deep," and says,—

"I gave thee the great gift of life:
Wast thou not called in many ways?
Are not my heaven and earth at strife?
I gave thee of my seed to sow:
Bringest thou to me my hundred-fold?"

O, may each individual worker of this Society be able to "Look up with heart aglow," and answer, "Father, here is gold!"

That this seed of gold may be faithfully and lavishly sown, the thousands of sowers are needed. What promise has the new century to give us here? All up and down this broad land our youth are feeling the stirrings of a new and strange life. The young woman of to-day is reaching out for more—more light, more opportunity, more power in the higher realms of mind and spirit, than at any previous time in the world's history. She is bound to be a force somewhere, this young woman of our colleges and higher schools of learning. See how she is trying her wings in many walks of life. She is eager to be and to do. Business places know her, and prize her, too. She throngs the hospital training-schools, that she may be fitted for humanitarian work. She is at the front for service in the Sabbath-schools, the Epworth Leagues, the Christian Endeavor Societies of the land. Mission halls know her bright presence. The Salvation Army and Volunteers owe much of their prosperity to her cheerful self-sacrifice and ready tact. She is generous and self-abnegating, and longs for the opportunity to invest her life at the highest and best rate. This Society should be able to offer to the earnest young Methodist woman a rich and rare opening into the noblest life. May we not hopefully look to see, in the coming years, a greatly-enlarged and nobly-equipped institution for the training of Home Missionary workers at our Capital City of the Nation, in which shall be gathered hundreds of capable and consecrated young women, receiving the best and most practical that has been evolved in the study of sociological problems during the years? Here, under the leadership of men and women of large brains and larger hearts, ever reaching out toward, and growing into, the highest standards of New Testament life and experience, they should be prepared in always growing numbers to go forth into the dark, unwholesome places of our land, bearing life and purity and peace as they go.

Beloved sisters of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, it is an exalted privilege to be called up into the mount of vision. To-day our departed friend and comrade, the noble woman of large gifts and gracious insight, sees with unclouded eyes the vast possibilities before this Society, to which, for nearly twenty years, she had given the love of her true heart and the labor of her tireless hands.

Shall not we, who revere the memory of our promoted leader, go forth with a renewed and holy ambition to do *our* part in making real this vision of the twentieth century for our beloved Society?

REPORTS FROM BUREAUS.

BUREAU FOR GEORGIA.

Haven Home and School.

I AM glad to record that we have had no disaster of any kind to the property of this Home during the last year, and all the work has gone steadily forward. In March, our beloved missionary, Miss A. E. Philo, was taken very ill with pneumonia, and after two weeks of great suffering exchanged the earthly for the heavenly home. It was, to her, infinite gain; but a sad loss to the mission. She had been for several years a most faithful teacher of the intermediate grades, a worker in Sabbath-school, and deeply interested in all the spiritual work of the mission. Her steady aim was to lead souls to Christ, and many were won through her efforts. After her death there was necessity for some rearrangement of the work; but with the aid of our two faithful colored helpers, and some of the older girls in taking charge of occasional classes, the year was finished without any break, and the annual Commencement was a most successful one.

Miss Delma Lamb, of Rockland, Pa., has gone to take the place made vacant by Miss Philo's death. She promises to be valuable aid. With that exception, our workers will remain the same as for three years past.

All the girls in this Home who were not Christians were converted during the year. We are proud of our girls and their good record, and as some of them pass on into other Homes, as Morristown and Thayer, to receive advanced training, they rank among the best, and sometimes are the best, in those schools, giving evidence of the thorough foundation training they have had in Haven Home.

Six bright boys who graduated from our school in June have gone to Hampton to learn trades. For three years they will work during the day, and study evenings to complete the course. All were members of the Sabbath-school and Christian boys, and we predict for each one a useful future. Two of our girls have gone there also for a course in nursing. I regret to say that we received only $230.75 in student aid out of the $500 appropriated and pledged. It was much the least that has been given any year since this work was opened. We will have ten beneficiaries this present year, and perhaps twelve. We can not turn away these bright, eager girls. They have all been with us before, and some will graduate in one or two years. We earnestly hope God will open hearts to contribute to their need.

A most successful branch work has been carried on by Miss Baldwin, aided by older students, for four years in the Savannah slums. We hope by another year to have it in shape so it can be put under direct care of this Society, to which it has been no expense thus far.

The statistics for this Home and School are as follows:

Expenses for the year, including all furniture and school supplies, and furinture for Home, repairs, wages of help, etc., have been $2,562.97; the income from board of teachers and pupils, $1,139.50; from day pupils, $457.55; from music pupils, $14; making entire receipts, $1,611.65; Number in Home, 43—average, 41; in day school, 225—average, 195; night school, 25; visits to sick and needy, 265; Sunday-school sessions attended, 162;

Bible-lessons given, 58; temperance meetings, 96; Young People's Meetings, 140; number in sewing classes, 40; garments made, 264, beside much making over, mending, darning, etc.; cash donations, $45.

Speedwell.

This mission is proving each year more and more the need of its existence. Its molding influence has told upon the little community in which it is located, and children who had never been in school until this one was opened are becoming fair scholars, and many of them are connected with the Church and Sunday-school and living Christian lives. There were six girls in Mary Haven Home last year. One of these will enter Thayer this fall, and we hope may prove a valuable addition to that household.

The work has grown so that it has become necessary for Miss Herron to have an assistant, and this year she will have with her Mary Knight, who was graduated from Haven three years ago. In addition to the work of the Home and School, Miss Herron conducted a weekly Sabbath-school and temperance meeting, held meetings for young people, and made many visits to the sick, the needy, and the aged in the neighborhood. The girls of this Home, under her supervision, made a good many garments, beside keeping their own clothing in repair.

The income from this mission is very small, as people are exceedingly poor. There was received for board $63.75, and in money gifts $40.

Thayer Home.

Miss Mitchell has remained all the year at her post in this Home, and has worked hard and continuously. The addition to Thayer, which has been under contemplation for two years, was erected during the summer, and is now fully completed and occupied, though not fully furnished. The addition has cost $1,445, about $300 more than the same work would have cost last year, on account of the heavy increase in the price of all building material. This we could neither foresee nor avoid; but with a gift from the estate of a patron of this work we were able to complete it without debt. The old part of the building has been repaired and painted, the roof also, grounds have been regraded, and quite a number of improvements made. One pleasant feature of this enterprise is the fact that all the work has been done by Negroes, the contractor being the only white man. These workmen were graduates from the trades' schools in connection with Clark University.

The work in this Home will now be increased along all lines, and especially in grade class work in sewing and cooking. To send out girls fully equipped to make beautiful homes and rear children is a work in which angels might delight to have a part, and yet the honor is intrusted to human hands. Two of our girls have been married to preachers during the summer, one is just entering the Deaconess Training-school in Boston, and hopes to go to Africa; several are teaching in the city schools, and one of them has been promoted to be superintendent.

Mrs. Wright, who has been for some years Miss Mitchell's right-hand assistant, was married in July to Dr. Penn, a practicing physician of Atlanta. He is a man who some years ago took the honors at Yale in a large class of white students. Mrs. Penn will remain with us, at least on part time, during the year, or until a successor is found.

The expenses of this Home last year were $1,719.67, not including painting, etc., that was done during the summer. The income from all sources was $1,053.35; donations in cash, $50. There were twenty in the family. There were nine classes in sewing, including 150 members; eighteen who took dressmaking, five cooking classes, and one in embroidery.

MRS. ELIZABETH PALEN, *Secretary.*

BUREAU FOR FLORIDA.

OUR work in Florida was opened in Jacksonville fourteen years ago by Miss Hattie E. Emerson and her sainted mother.

The beginning was small, but the growth from year to year has been remarkable, the last year being the most successful of any. This may also be said of all our work in Florida.

Boylan Industrial Home and School.

In the Home Department we have had thirty-six girls who have made marked improvement under the thorough training which they have received. Many of them have gone out, well qualified to take responsible positions in life, and will be able to show their people what real home life should be. Homes properly cared for, as we all know, constitute the great need of the Negro race. The establishment of such homes will go far toward solving the difficult problem which we, as a Nation, must undertake to work out. Our Industrial Homes are being more and more appreciated, and are receiving the recognition which they merit.

In the school department we enrolled 296 pupils, including the Home girls. We had also 125 in the sewing band, 100 of whom were neither in the Home or school, thus making the total number of scholars who came under the training and influence of our teachers amount to 396. The work and influence of our missionaries did not stop here, as they did a large amount of miscellaneous and evangelistic service. They made 510 calls on the people at their homes; gave out 4,657 cards and papers, and food and clothing to many who were sick and in need; 1,038 pieces of work were finished, and in the regular sewing and dressmaking department, 357 garments were made, and 1,058 repaired and mended. This does not include a large amount of work done by outside girls who compose the sewing band.

Much attention was given to the Kitchengarden and Kindergarten Departments.

The "Whetstone Class," eight in number, graduated with honor, and have gone to their lifework, realizing to some extent the responsibilities which have been laid upon them. They were much interested in a map of illiteracy hanging on the Home walls. After studying it for some time, one of them remarked: "Why, I did not know there were so many dark places. Girls, there will be work for us to do for our own people for a long time." Thirty-six such girls have graduated from Boylan Home. Ten of them are teaching school, six are taking advanced studies in schools of higher grade; others, unable to take the full course, are doing good and faithful work among their people.

In 1900, the "Emerson Class" (which is one of great promise) will go forth to join the ranks of those now in the field.

We see each year great needs for opening additional lines of work. Now the pressing need is for a class in nurse-training. No school in Florida has taken up this special work, which is so much needed. Could we send out each year a class of trained nurses, they would find no difficulty in securing good positions, and would prove to be a great blessing wherever they went. Has not Boylan Home some good friend who would make it possible to open this new department at once? This is the time of seed-sowing. Who can tell what the harvest will be? Surely none can feel that the labor bestowed has been in vain.

Emerson Memorial Home and School.

This Home is situated in Ocala, Florida, and was named for our beloved Mrs. Emerson. The new building was completed and opened ten years ago. It is the outgrowth of our work in Boylan Home, and was greatly needed and is highly appreciated by the people of that locality. The house was built to accommodate twelve girls; but when twenty-four have applied for admission we could not refuse them, and so cots were bought and four girls have occupied each room. In the day school we had eighty-nine pupils, making it necessary to use not only the school-room, but the girls' sitting-room and the dining-room for school purposes.

Our missionaries have done a large amount of evangelistic service, and were active in Church, missionary, and temperance work. They made 253 visits among the people, and distributed papers, cards, etc., as they had them to give; to the sick and needy they gave food and clothing as far as they were able. The yellow flag floated in their sight all winter, and there was much suffering all about them.

The Kindergarten and Sewing and Dressmaking Departments were made prominent features of the work; 815 garments were made and repaired, also 209 samples. While these figures represent a large amount of labor, they by no means include all of the work done by our faithful missionaries. Much of the best service can never be reported. The good that may be done in these Homes is limited only by the amount of support which we can furnish to them. They are carefully and economically conducted. The people, though very poor, in most instances pay all they are able to; in some instances they make great sacrifices in order to keep their girls in our Homes.

Emerson Home paid last year $802.75 towards its own support, and made some valuable improvements on the property, which is certainly a good showing. The improvements asked for last year have not been made, as it seemed impossible to secure the needed amount of money, though great efforts were made to do so.

From our report you can not fail to see the great need of finishing the third story, and of building a new school-room; also the necessity of sending a third missionary.

Boylan Home has contributed $2,000 towards its own support, and by combined efforts of teachers and girls has raised a considerable amount of money for various pressing needs. It became a necessity to make repairs and improvements, and also to do some refurnishing during vacation. Miss Emerson remained and gave personal attention to the work, in order that it might be done in the best and most economical manner; allowing herself but one month of vacation, giving the rest of the time to the work to which she has devoted her life.

It will be necessary to make some other repairs, and also to make appropriation for assistant teachers that may be found among our graduates.

The closing exercises at both Homes were very successful and full of interest, and deserve a separate chapter if time and space would permit.

Our report for Florida can hardly be complete without some mention of Mrs. Daley's work in Key West. With very little assistance from our Society or from any other source, she has labored on year after year. She taught a large day-school, a night-school, also large sewing-classes. She visited among the people, and did a large amount of evangelistic work, and became a great power for good in the city. Feeling unable to bear the expense of so long a journey, and also that the work needed her, she decided to remain in Key West during the summer, and continue the schools. The severe heat had an enervating effect, and when the yellow

fever broke out she was among the first to suffer. She was greatly beloved by the people, and was kindly cared for and nursed back to life, and is now slowly regaining health and strength. While still very weak she wrote: "All is well. Just as He leads me I would go; I would not ask to choose my way." Let us pray that the life of this consecrated woman may be long spared to the people to whom she is devoting all her energies. Though we can not make an appropriation for this work, any aid sent to it will prove to be a great blessing.

Let us thank God for our consecrated missionaries, and resolve to do more in the future to sustain them and to strengthen and broaden the work to which he has called them, and rejoice that he permits us to labor with him and with these, our missionaries, in striving to uplift a fallen race, and to help in trying to bring the world to Christ.

MRS. S. M. Y. WHETSTONE, *Secretary.*

BUREAU FOR EAST CENTRAL STATES.

THE Industrial Home at Orangeburg, S. C., and the Industrial Homes and Schools at Asheville, N. C., and Camden, S. C., are under the supervision of this Bureau.

Simpson Home, Orangeburg, S. C.

During the past year the Home has been filled to its utmost capacity, twenty-six girls being all that the building will accommodate. More have applied for admission this year than could be received. Excellent progress has been made in every department of work.

In the yearly revival which Claflin University always expects, all our girls who were not already Christians were converted, and the reality of the change has been evidenced by a happy, harmonious, consistent family life.

By the aid of generous friends and gifts from Miss Penfield, a guest-room has been beautifully furnished and a bath-room for the pupils provided.

The erection of the new Industrial Hall, so greatly needed, was made possible by the generous gift of $300 from the ladies of Binghamton, N. Y. This provided for the inclosing of the building, and it has been used while the interior is unfinished; but with the coming of cold weather it will be necessary to complete it, and money for this purpose is needed.

The building has one large room, 24 by 40 feet, and is designed to afford every convenience for sewing and cooking classes.

The furniture is to be so made and arranged that the floor can be cleared and the room used for a gymnasium.

The industrial classes have been large, 168 girls being in regular attendance, and it is proposed to form a sewing class for boys this coming year, as so many desire to learn mending and darning. All the work of the Home and industrial classes is being carried on with diligence and enthusiasm on the part of both teachers and pupils.

A large amount of material is required in a school where so large a number enter the industrial classes, and donations of materials of all kinds will be greatly appreciated.

Allen Industrial Home and Academy, Asheville, N. C.

Both Home and Academy have enjoyed a year of prosperity. Twenty-nine girls have resided in the Home, and one hundred and forty girls and boys have been in attendance at the Academy. The girls who had com-

pleted the course graduated with honor. A number passed the examinations required for teachers, and the Superintendent of Instruction, who conducted the examinations, highly complimented our school on their proficiency. Most of these girls, having spent the summer in teaching, have returned to the school to continue their studies, and advanced work has been undertaken for their benefit.

The life in the Home has been harmonious and helpful, the teachers faithful, and the pupils earnest and obedient.

A strong revival influence, which began in the Home, extended to the Academy, and resulted in the conversion of many of the advanced pupils, boys and girls.

A much-needed addition to the dining-room, a large and beautiful china closet, has been given by Mrs. McIntosh, of Connersville, Ind.

Improvements have been made in the yard by a gift from Mrs. L. M. Pease and funds raised by entertainments given by the school.

Appearances indicate that the Home will be filled this year, a good cotton crop and fair prices making it possible for a larger number to avail themselves of such privileges.

Browning Home and School, Camden, S. C.

Both Home and School have maintained their reputation for excellent work, a number of pupils having completed the Normal Course. Students from this school constantly seek admission to the college classes of Claflin University, and it is the testimony of teachers at that institution that no others come with such thorough preparation.

The exercises of the graduating class are attended by people from all the adjacent counties. One good woman attending last year, having her motherly ambitions aroused for the education of her children, but scarcely knowing how they were to be gratified without too much sacrifice, said: "I 'm going home, and I 'm going to cut just as many slices of bread, but I 'm going to cut 'em thinner."

Thirty-eight girls have enjoyed the privileges of the Home, one hundred and forty boys and girls the day-school, and twenty-four the night-school.

During last winter, which was an exceptionally hard one among the people of this section because of poor crops and severe cold, Mrs. Brewster, of Connecticut, who resided in the Home, by generous giving and evangelistic service made our Home a center from which a stream of benevolence went out through the community.

Mrs. James Mather, the lifelong friend of this work, has again come to its help, and provided $1,200 for the erection of an additional building.

The present year opens with forty-six in the Home and one hundred and sixty-seven in the day-school, so that both are crowded to overflowing.

The plantation work, now a recognized part of the work, grows in importance.

Attendance at the Sabbath-schools has greatly increased, and at one point a new church is being built by the labor and gifts of people who sacrifice much needed for their own comfort to secure a place of worship.

Many dissolute young men have been reached and happily converted through the agency of the Sunday-school, and new ideas of cleanliness and right living have been given in the teaching of the industrial classes.

MRS. E. L. ALBRIGHT, *Secretary.*

BUREAU FOR WEST CENTRAL STATES.

Ritter Home.

Reported by Mrs. Delia Lathrop Williams.

RITTER HOME, built and supported by the Woman's Home Missionary Society, serves as the Industrial Department and a home for the young women of the U. S. Grant University, an important center for the white work of the Methodist Episcopal Church in the South, located at Athens, Tenn. Before the Society built there the trustees of the university very generously deeded to us a part of their campus, so that while we have the most intimate relations with the university, we are on our own ground. Our part of the campus has been improved by cultivating a lawn, planting trees and shrubbery, and raising flowers, so that the best friends of the university are pleased with their alliance with us.

The Home has never been so full as last year, there having been more than seventy different girls in it during the year. The friction has not been realized that some of our friends feared would be felt in requiring all the possible duties of housekeeping from white girls, who are accustomed to think some of them the work of the blacks. Our girls seem to do all their duties pleasantly and with heart in their service to each other. Some of them are giving a very good account of themselves. Miss Hicks, for some time the beneficiary of Detroit Conference, entered the Training-school at Washington, and, having finished her course there, served as matron in the same school for a year, and has made herself so useful that she has been reappointed for another year as matron, to take charge of the Deaconess Home and Training-school. Two of our girls spent the summer at Rest Home, having charge of the work in the house during the summer, and, I am told, gave satisfaction. One of our girls is now a teacher in Bennett Home, and one has been appointed as teacher at Spring City, Utah.

Last year Mrs. Chapman was assisted in the Sewing Department by a young woman left homeless and alone in the world, and whose father in dying asked Mrs. Chapman to take her into her care, and, if possible, allow her a share in her work. This young woman, Miss Wilson, had a cousin who had been a member of her family, and who, by the death of Mr. Wilson, was deprived of a home. She begged the privilege of coming also to Ritter Home, and that she be allowed to superintend the kitchen for her board. She rendered excellent service, and was very happy in her work; but near the end of the year became ill, and early in the summer vacation died in the Home. This is the first death in the house since it was built. Mrs. Chapman, the Superintendent, has spent the entire summer at work for the Society, mostly in the Northwest, receiving only her traveling expenses. She thinks the day is not distant when we shall need enlarged accommodations, which can be secured by the addition of a wing. Girls are now being turned away, because we have not room for them. We should be able to take all desirable girls that come to us.

Kent Home.

If it were possible, your Secretary would like to give, in detail, the history of the twelve girls who made the family in Kent Home, under the care of Miss Thornborough and Miss Cloud. Girls came to us from hovels, from unwilling parents to have them educated, from all sorts and conditions. But for timely aid the girls could not have remained until school closed. Good work was accomplished, and time proved the influence of the Home, and parents came to acknowledge their mistakes and

gratitude. A visit from Mrs. Boswell in the spring brought kindly suggestions, and later practical aid to one of our girls, who is most anxious to become a missionary.

Some repairs improved the condition of the Home greatly, and we hope to improve it still more by painting this coming year.

The January sisters repeated their generous gifts at Christmas time, and each member of the family was made happy. How the chasms are spanned by Christmas thoughts and deeds! We wish every Home could be united to loving donors—it takes so little to accomplish so much!

One of my graduates covets the privilege of entering a missionary training-school. Who will send her? Of twenty applicants, we could care for only fourteen.

For this year, for both Homes, with similar records in the past, with the same opportunities to advance Christ's kingdom, to cheer the faint-hearted, to rescue from sin and debasing influences, to prepare missionaries for active and immediate work, we pray that more than ever this report, so brief, so incomplete, may inspire new gifts of prayer and love, and help to relieve a pressure—so often too great—upon those who should have less anxiety and more freedom in the administration of the household affairs.

You who hear or read will keep us in mind, and accept the gratitude of the Secretary for friends, for timely aid, for faithful workers, and, above all, for the loving care of our Heavenly Father.

New Jersey Home, Morristown, Tenn.

In this Home our family has numbered twenty-two, twenty of whom were students, the oldest being twenty years of age, the youngest ten. Five States were represented—Georgia, Virginia, New Jersey, Florida, and Tennessee. With one exception, each girl reflected credit on the Home and School. One girl received a medal for oratory, another the scholarship medal. Four of our girls, who were members of an African Society connected with our school, won prizes for writing the best African hymns and essays. For the hymn which surpassed all the Southern schools for composition, a beautiful Methodist Hymnal was received, while the other three received fine Bibles. These prizes were awarded by the Committee of the Stewart Missionary Foundation of Atlanta, Georgia.

Under the wise, loving leadership of Miss Mosher, aided by the sympathy and ability of Miss Jefferson, the spirit of the New Jersey Home has been one of unity, and love has been the ruling element. The spiritual conditions have never been surpassed in the history of our school. Those who had but little zeal were quickened into new life. A genuine work of grace was realized in many hearts, which was abundantly proven in the every-day life. Four only of the twenty girls were able to pay full board; the rest were helped by our beneficiary money, in part or entirely. Surely the year has brought very great responsibility; but much to awaken gratitude.

A furnace, so long needed, was placed in the Home in the spring. We must depend upon our loyal friends to help us carry this burden until we can lift it.

A graduate of 1898 has married a professor of our Methodist college in Nashville, Tenn. Our aim is to send out noble women who will make lasting impressions for good.

For the coming year many more applications for admission have been received than can be met. We have our usual number, the same needs for help, and greater need than ever for clothing and beneficiary aid; also, supplies for Sewing Department. We pray for the interest of old and new friends at Christmas time, and all through the year.

MRS. MARY FISK PARK, *Secretary.*

BUREAU FOR MISSISSIPPI.

E. L. Rust Industrial Home, Holly Springs, Miss.

THE year past was a prosperous and successful one, with Miss Phinette K. Bristol, Superintendent, and Miss Grace Dempster, Assistant. They are especially adapted to and well-equipped for the work. They both remained at Holly Springs during the vacation, superintending and forwarding needful improvements, and making preparations for the coming year.

Twenty-one girls, the largest number at any one time ever in the Home, were all students in the school and industrial work. Of this number three were graduated from Rust University.

The pupils show great advancement in their sewing work. Miss Bristol, in one of her letters to me, speaks of the girls in this respect, as follows: "I wish you could see our display in the sewing-room. The embroidery would do to start an art store. The dresses are very nicely made, and the plain sewing would do credit to any class of girls. Five of our girls finished the regular course in sewing this year."

Miss Bristol, in a communication, says: "To-morrow school opens. We have now eight girls; one is new to us, but was in school the year before we came. Four were here last year, and it is a pleasure to have them back; they take hold of the work nicely, and speak of the value of the training they had last year, as they found it helpful in their own homes during the summer, and are delighted to get back."

All this is encouraging to Superintendent and Assistant, as well as to the Bureau Secretary.

This year a piano was bought and presented to the Home by the Mansfield Auxiliary (North Ohio Conference), which will add greatly to the pleaesure as well as profit of both teachers and pupils.

Bennett Industrial Home, Clarkson, Miss.

The year closing in May last was the most successful year in all respects that this Home has experienced. The number of girls in the Home at one time was forty, more than could be comfortably cared for.

Miss Putnam, the Superintendent, and her Assistant, Miss Clara Putnam, did much to bring the work in the Home up to a high standard. The great need is additional accommodations. We must have a new building.

The Home this year was opened September 4th, and applications for admission far exceeded our ability to receive them. Miss Putnam does not deem it prudent to crowd so large a number as she did last year into the limited space. It will be kept in mind that this is a Home for white girls. Also located at Clarkson is Bennett Academy. Both Home and Academy are doing a great work in Mississippi.

Last year some conditional appropriations were made, and there is in the treasury now the sum appropriated, $1,600 and over. However, we should build for the future, and need a building costing at least $5,000.

Bennett Academy, Clarkson, Miss.

We were exceedingly fortunate in securing the services of Professor William A. Davis and Mrs. Davis last year, and they continue with us.

The enrollment in the Academy the past year was large, and at the opening of the school, September 4th, the enrollment was ninety-four students in the school and twenty girls in the Home.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society has, in connection with the Academy, Dickson Hall, a building for the boys' boarding-house, which is under the charge of Mrs. Eliza J. Willingham.

We have purchased what is known as Barron Cottage, for the sum of $165, and yet we are limited in our accommodations. Daily and pressing applications are made for entrance both to the Home and school.

This is an important point, and affords great opportunity for enlarged work, and the Academy is the only educational institution of its kind in this section of the country.

MRS. HENRY C. HEDGES, *Secretary.*

BUREAU FOR WEST SOUTHERN STATES.

The Adeline E. Smith Home, Little Rock, Ark.

I THINK it can truly be said, that the past year has been the most successful in the history of this Home. The Home has been full from the opening early in October till the close of the year. Most of the time it has been crowded to an uncomfortable extent. But Mrs. Nasmyth has taken "her large family" (as she calls it) into her warm motherly heart, and rejoiced greatly over its growth in favor with the people. Her only regret has been that she was unable, owing to lack of means, to receive all who sought admission. The past winter was a very severe one in Arkansas, and there was much sickness in the Home and college. Mrs. Nasmyth visited the Conference; also presented the claims of the Home in different parts of the State. The good results have been seen in the increasing interest manifested, and in the patronage extended to the Home. The statistical report for the year is as follows:

Number enrolled during the year	62
Average attendance during the year	46
Number aided by scholarship money	8
Lessons given in plain sewing	1,530
Lessons given in dressmaking	518
Lessons given in embroidery	311
Lessons given in cooking	597
Number garments made by classes	214
Number barrels and boxes supplies received	29
Number articles given to the poor	752
Number visits to sick and needy	68
Number baskets of food given away	37
Number Bible-lessons given	208
Number Sunday-school services attended	35
Number Young People's Meetings	24
Number Bibles, tracts, and leaflets given away	116
Number young women converted during year	6
Number who stood high in examinations, and were promoted to the college	46

The utmost harmony and unity of effort has prevailed between the Home and college throughout the year. During the summer months, Mrs. Nasmyth presented the aims and needs of our Society throughout the Central New York and Genesee Conferences. And the Oneida Auxiliary gave to the Home a large and beautiful flag. No gift could have been more appreciated, or brought more joy to the hearts of Superintendent and inmates. There are now in the Home young women from Texas, Louisiana, Tennessee, Missouri, Mississippi, Arkansas, and Indian

Territory. We need more room. The present building could be enlarged, the Superintendent thinks, without involving any great expense, and she writes: "If the good friends in the North only knew what we are accomplishing, and how much we need additional room, they would gladly aid us. We need bedding, table linen, and clothing."

The Italian Mission.

The management of the Italian Mission has caused much anxious thought; but the development and growth of the work has been very satisfactory, and full of interest from the beginning to the close of the year. The people who were delighted at the return of our missionaries began calling before they were settled. The Italian women, as well as the children, love to visit the mission, and are always made welcome. Early in the year four little, hungry, ragged girls came begging admission to the Home. Miss Gibson felt that she could not turn them away. Two of the children left after a short time. The remaining two have been in the Home all the year. They are bright, beautiful children; they have made rapid progress in their studies and in a knowledge of household duties. Early in the spring, Miss Gibson's health failed. She was obliged to return North, and to resign her position as Superintendent of the mission. The loss of this valuable and experienced missionary, whose whole heart and soul had been devoted to the advancement of this work, was felt to be very great. Miss Robertson, however, is deserving of all praise for the wise and successful way in which she carried on and consummated the work already begun until the close of June, at which time she also resigned because of ill-health. Both Miss Gibson and Miss Robertson believed that we should keep the mission open during the summer. The little girls in the mission house had to be provided for when the mission was closed during the summer, or the children became scattered. It was found, also, that many of the children each year entered the Catholic schools, and were lost to us. Hence the Executive Board decided to try the experiment of keeping the mission open during the past summer. Miss Page was employed to take charge, and keep in direct touch with all the mission work. We feel that results have justified the action taken. Miss Page has been engaged for the coming year, and Miss Sellers has been engaged as Superintendent of the mission. The summary of the year's work is as follows:

Number of days taught	154
Number of nights taught	110
Number of Bible-lessons given	91
Number of lessons to sewing-class	63
Number of lessons to cooking-class	62
Number of visits to sick and needy	327
Number of Sunday-school services attended	88
Number of socials given at mission	2
Number of Young People's Meetings attended	43
Number of articles given to the poor	243
Number of leaflets, tracts, and cards distributed	866
Number of Bibles given away	16
Number of garments made by sewing-classes	35
Number of packages of supplies received	4

If the Society could only purchase a suitable building, with playgrounds and ground for gardening purposes attached, a much greater work could be accomplished for these people. We need a house large enough to receive homeless children. We could have had twelve such

children last year if we had been able to care for them. Our most encouraging work is among the children. Affairs at the mission seem to be rapidly approaching a crisis. There is hardly a limit to what might be accomplished under favorable circumstances. But we must soon advance or lose ground.

The Roman Catholics are strong in New Orleans. They have wealth and influence. They watch the development of our work among the Italians with a vigilant eye, and will not fail to take advantage of any apparent neglect or indifference on our part. Therefore, we beseech of you, bring to the adjustment of plans and methods for this mission-field your wisest thought and most earnest prayers, not forgetting, as some one has truly said, that not only wisdom and prayer are necessary in successfully carrying on the Lord's work, but a liberal use of the Lord's money as well, and that the latter goes a long way towards making the former effective.

MRS. F. A. ARTER, *Secretary.*

BUREAU FOR TEXAS.

King Industrial Home, Marshall.

"ALL things come to him who waits," says the old proverb. King Home was built in 1890, and, I presume for lack of funds, was not completed. When I was appointed Secretary of the Texas Bureau three years ago, I found the third story still unfinished. The room was badly needed on account of the crowded condition of the Home.

I rejoice to be able to tell you that the finishing of the entire third story is an accomplished fact. Twenty girls additional can now be accommodated. I hold in my hand the duplicate receipts for the expenses, and there is not a dollar of debt remaining. This improvement, through the financial ability of our efficient Superintendent (Miss Elliott), has been made from the receipts of the Home, without a dollar being drawn from the General Treasury.

Very soon after the Annual Meeting had granted my petition last year, I began negotiations for the purchase of the land adjoining our property. I found that the land upon which the cabins had been erected the previous year, and which I hoped could be turned into "model homes," could not be bought at any price—we had lost our opportunity by our delay. I found, also, that the title to the triangular piece of ground of which I spoke last year, and which was so necessary to us, was somewhat complicated by being owned by a mother and children, some of whom were minors. But after consultation with Mr. Boyd, our legal adviser, and with Mrs. Rust and the Board of Managers, I purchased the undivided half-interest in the property. Mr. Boyd transacted the business, securing the abstract of title and all necessary papers, filing them in the archives of our Society. This purchase gives us control of half the ground, and will prevent cabins being built, which would annoy us and seriously injure our property.

The school was never in a better condition. Nine more boarding pupils were enrolled than ever before, making a total of forty-seven, with one hundred and thirty-nine day scholars, making a total of one hundred and eighty-six.

There has been no case of discipline reported during the year, which speaks well for the moral and religious instruction, and the work has moved on pleasantly and successfully.

Special attention has been given to the Dressmaking Department. A class of fourteen graduated. During Commencement week a drafting

Provo.

Mrs. Helen M. Kingsbury is in the East Ohio Mission and Deaconess Home at Provo, doing service through her industrial school, into which come many children from Mormon homes, house-to-house visitation, care for the sick and needy, together with untiring efforts to bring through every established agency of our Church pure Christianity before the people.

It would meet a great necessity if the East Ohio Conference would send money to build an outside cellar for this mission. It is greatly needed, as there is no such convenience.

Mt. Pleasant.

We represent our work at this point with rejoicing. Our missionary and kindergartner at Thomson Chapel, who came to us in July—Miss Alice Blanchard, trained at Foltz Institute, Herkimer, N. Y.—has won her way, by her voice, manner, and spirit, into the hearts and homes of this beautiful village.

Through the liberality of Mrs. S. W. Thomson, Delaware, Ohio, the first secretary of the Utah Bureau, and for whose husband Thomson Chapel is named, we received two hundred dollars, with which to repair the building. I saw the work nearly completed during my visit, at an expense of two hundred and twenty-five dollars.

The location of this chapel is fine, and it now stands a thing of beauty, and will be a joy forever, for Mrs. Thomson has charged me to inform her when repairs are needed.

Miss Blanchard has opened a kindergarten, which fills all the available space. She writes: "If I only had room and an assistant, I could have in my school forty children." Each child pays a small tuition fee. On Saturday, Miss Blanchard conducts an industrial class for girls, assists in Sabbath services, and visits in the homes as she is able.

Ephraim.

Miss Alice Bulow, at Ephraim, is closing her second year. Her needlework is exquisite, and the pieces of embroidery exhibited to me by the girls of her industrial class were marvels of beauty and execution. The children are anxious to graduate from the every-day "plain sewing" into colors in silk and artistic designs. Thus they are kept interested and held to our work.

Miss Bulow's influence in the homes and in the work of the Church is invaluable.

Logan.

Our denomination has an excellent church in this important city of six thousand inhabitants. The membership is small, but thoroughly in earnest in Christian endeavor. Our missionary, Miss Dora Payne, has shown herself a "workman that needeth not to be ashamed." Her industrial school work and efforts along all lines to reach and influence the homes and young people have not been without encouraging returns. Her plans for the coming year are wise and generous, and we believe God will honor the work and the worker.

Richfield.

After several months of effort we succeeded in securing for Richfield as missionary Miss Nora Willingham, graduated in June last from Grant University and our own Ritter Home. She entered upon her duties in July with fine promise for a happy and helpful year. She was only getting the work well in hand when, being disappointed in a teacher for Spring City, I was compelled to ask Miss Willingham to open this school, and remain at Spring City temporarily. She came to this Branch of our work with experience. Richfield is still without a helper, but we hope soon to find either another missionary or another teacher for Utah.

Spring City.

Our property in Spring City has been newly papered throughout, the Kansas City, Mo., Auxiliary sending paper and a new carpet for the teacher's room.

Elsinore.

Golden opinions are expressed regarding our school at Elsinore, conducted by Mrs. M. H. Passmore. Every seat is taken, and two children sit at the teacher's desk.

Mrs. Passmore writes that "the children never seemed so happy or so diligent." She is very grateful for the assistant teacher granted her. It would be impossible for one teacher to even approximate justice to so large a number of ungraded pupils. The excellent effect of this school is marked in the community.

Maroni.

We are peculiarly fortunate in securing for Maroni, Miss H. L. Barnett as missionary.

Miss Barnett for a number of years was teacher of the Pratt Industrial System in Missions in New York City. She arrived in Salt Lake City during Conference, and was entertained at Davis Deaconess Home, where she met her co-workers. I accompanied her to Maroni. We entered our chapel and schoolroom and a little further on her "living room," which embodies all the various apartments in the well-ordered Home. My own courage almost failed me. All was chaos. The former missionary had largely furnished the room herself, so a decidedly "moved out" condition appeared. We had with us cheery Mrs. Hansen, who would stay with Miss Barnett a week. The next morning the paper-hanger was at work to brighten the walls. Miss Barnett, with brush in hand, repainted the woodwork and a border around the floor, while Mrs. Hansen converted the carpet into a rug. Soon the bookcase was in place, and the well-selected library arranged. These books were her familiar friends in this far away home, where she would work for God and humanity.

Miss Barnett is happy in her duties. She conducts twice a week an industrial school, is establishing a reading-room, and regularly conducts Sabbath evening song and Bible service. Her Sabbath-school is well attended.

We purpose, as speedily as practicable, to conduct our industrial schools under a common system of instruction adapted to the needs of our work. The benefit resulting from this course is apparent. Uniform courses of instruction, culminating in graduation, will encourage regular attendance and an icreased interest among both parents and children.

We believe the Woman's Home Missionary Society is to be congratulated upon the corps of workers now in the field and the growing efficiency of the work for the good of humanity in this inter-mountain region.

It is a great encouragement to the workers in the Utah Bureau, as well as to the Secretary, that the Society at large has taken so great interest in the questions that are of such vital importance to this new State and the establishment of pure religion among the people.

It requires unmistakably courage as well as grace for these missionaries to live the isolated lives many of them do. They need bright surroundings in their own little domain of home, and words of cheering sympathy and encouragement unremittingly from those who are interested.

May the Lord give strength and power of achievement to this important field of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, and bring forward friends and money for our work! MRS. B. S. POTTER, *Secretary.*

BUREAU FOR NEW MEXICO AND ARIZONA (SPANISH).

NEVER in the history of our missionary work in New Mexico has there been such opportunity for seed-sowing as at this time. We have been praying and laboring for many years. The people were slow and without ambition, and seemed very hard to impress or arouse. Even the children shared the dullness. A change has come, however, and from each mission station come words of encouragement.

The missionaries write, "We have more pupils than we have even hoped for crowding into our schools."

Harwood Industrial Home and School, Albuquerque.

The year opened with promise, but much perplexity. Miss Rodriguez, who was greatly interested in the Mexicans, and very happy in her work with Miss Apperson, was suffering and in broken health. After a struggle with her desire to remain in the work she loved, she came East for treatment.

Miss Apperson kept up the work with the help of one of the older girls, until relieved by the coming of Miss Emily Bartholomew. Nobly had Miss Apperson stood by and worked with her first associate; and no less did she welcome her successor. There were forty-four enrolled during the year; but an average family of twenty-five kept them busy from early dawn until far into the night.

The close of the school year found these missionary teachers weary in body, but exultant in spirit. They had seen the girls under their care grow mentally and spiritually. They thanked God and prayed for more girls, that they might reach *more* homes, and touch *more lives*, with the knowledge of his love. They both remained in the Home all summer, during July getting the house clean, and having it made attractive, with paper on the walls, paint on the blinds, doing much of this very hard work themselves. Kind friends have helped by sending carpet, others by contributing money for matting, carpet, screens, etc. Every gift that has come has been a joy to these faithful workers.

In September the school opened with twenty-two girls; and they kept on coming,—some on foot, some by wagon, some by train during "Fair Week," when rates were low.

September 26th, Miss Apperson writes, "We have fifty-one girls, and Conference week will bring us perhaps seven more." One-fourth of these are pay pupils from well-to-do families, are well clothed—that is, they have whole calico dresses or some other wash material of similar value. They never have night dresses until we supply them. Some of them pay a small sum; others are so poor they can not pay at all, but are eager for the privilege of this Home school. Children of our preachers, bright, interesting, some really beautiful, but must be taught right ways or be lost. We dare not take the responsibility of saying no to them. So, dear friends of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, we trust you to stand by us in this time of need. This is our day of opportunity to make Christian women of these daughters of our Protestant Mexicans. If you could only look into their faces, and peep into the hovels they have called home, we are sure the needed supplies of money and clothing would come to the work. Beside the girls of whom we told you last year, we have several especially promising:

Two young girls, sixteen years of age, are desirous of being missionaries. They show earnest Christian qualities, and are already a joy to the hearts of our missionaries. Another, fourteen years of age,

is the eldest daughter in a family of seven, her mother a widow. Ruth is a superior girl, and life in Harwood Home will help to develop a character that will be a power for good.

We want thirty-one beneficiaries provided for. We need supplies of clothing and material for garments for the sewing-classes, thimbles, thread, pins, tape, buttons, cotton-cloth, calico, outing flannel, etc., beside towels of all kinds.

We have had to buy furniture and furnishings for our increased family. Who will help pay for these by naming a bed for twenty-five dollars, or a window for ten dollars, or a school desk for five dollars?

Money is well invested in this work, and we are expecting our Church to stand by and make it what the dear Master will approve. This is a part of his great and glorious temple, and there is need of gifts to continue the structure.

Las Vegas.

Miss Nellie Snider, our missionary at Las Vegas, has been sowing seed beside all waters,—teaching the children of our Mexicans not only on week-days, but on Sunday at Epworth League and Sunday-school. She visits the prison, and assists in religious services, beside distributing good literature to those who are glad to receive it. Miss Snider had a larger school last year, with a good average attendance, and felt that there had been marked improvement in her pupils. After a vacation spent mostly in presenting the need of work among these people, she comes back to take up her duties with new courage.

El Paso, Texas.—Miss Marguerite Tripp writes: "School opened September 4th with seventy-five pupils enrolled. This is the largest number I ever had for the first week of school; and, finding I must send away part of them or have a helper, I applied to our Superintendent of missions, Rev. Thomas Harwood, and he has granted me ten dollars a month for an assistant. I am glad to report that I have secured a young girl who has been a student in Harwood Home for two years. She seems a natural-born teacher, and will, I hope, prove a valuable helper."

MRS. ANNA KENT, *Secretary.*

BUREAU FOR NEW MEXICO AND ARIZONA (INDIAN).

Dulce, New Mexico.

WE gratefully acknowledge the goodness of our Heavenly Father in turning aside the dread disease that threatened our school at Dulce the past year. Three times they were obliged to close the school because of small-pox in that vicinity. Rev. Mr. Martinez, our pastor and nearest neighbor, spent several weeks nursing patients afflicted with this disease; yet He who never slumbers nor sleeps kept watch, and they were safe.

The lady who went from Chicago to teach was stricken with severe illness, after serving two weeks, and was not able to return. Two of the larger girls—Miss Lasaide Ruybal and Mary Spencer—assisted Miss Moore in the schoolroom, and the work went on successfully.

The seats for the schoolroom, for which funds were so kindly pledged at the Minneapolis meeting, were purchased, and were a joy and comfort not only to teachers and pupils, but also to those who attend Sunday-school and religious services. The teachers desire me to express their gratitude to all who contributed to the fund.

Miss Clegg came East in July, after an absence of seven years. She had with her Lasaida Ruybal, the Mexican girl of whom Miss Moore told us last year. She is a very intelligent, womanly young lady. She spent some time at Round Lake, and took the Sunday-school Assembly course of study, graduated, and returned to Dulce with her diploma. She is an earnest Christian, and very helpful in every way. She, with Miss Spencer, will assist in the schoolroom this year. There was also with them a little Apache girl, five years of age. Her name is Coul-tu-yeh. Her English name is Henrietta. She is very bright, can speak the Apache, Spanish, and English languages. Both of these girls won many friends while with us. I was never so impressed with the good work that is being done, as when seeing for myself the results as shown in these girls.

Navajo Mission.

At the Navajo Mission very successful work has been done the past year. The building for schoolroom and dormitory was erected, and the school opened early in January. About twenty white children were enrolled as day pupils, and thirteen Navajoes, who remained at the mission all the time. The teacher found the Indian children quite as apt pupils as the whites, and Miss Tripp found them just as lovable and obedient as any children. They would cling to her, and call her mother in their own language.

Parents are fond of visiting the school; and as their children count and tell the names of articles and animals from pictures, they repeat after them. It was amusing to see a stalwart Indian go about the schoolroom, wrapped in his blanket, examining the slates of the white, as well as of the Indian children, looking as wise as though he understood it all.

A letter, received a few days ago from Miss Rykert, the new teacher who went from near Troy, N. Y., telling of her safe arrival at Jewett, was very pleasing. She had been ill in Durango for a week, but is now at her post, and pleased with the prospect of doing special work for the Master among those in heathen darkness.

The winter was very trying for Miss Tripp, as the Navajo children all had whooping cough, and she coughed almost as badly as they did, and had the entire care of them out of school hours. When vacation time came, she was able to travel only as far as Durango, where she took a room, and rested quietly, returning to her work in very good health. Miss Rykert writes that the friends in the East can not do too much for Miss Tripp and Mrs. Eldridge, who are doing a noble work in that almost-out-of-the-world place; and if the Christian people in the East could know how it is here, they would send more of their means to help carry on this blessed work for the Master.

MRS. E. W. SIMPSON, *Secretary.*

BUREAU FOR INDIAN AND FRONTIER WORK.

OUR Indian missions are all in fair condition. The missionaries have done the usual work of visiting camps and houses, holding Sunday-schools and religious services. Aid is requested to be continued among the Osages, and a missionary is asked of us for the first time among the Sac and Fox tribe, the Pottawatomies, and the Kickapoos, of Kansas. We are also asked to continue a little help to the Osages at the Adelaide Springer Mission at Pawhuska.

Ponca, Oklahoma.

Rev. and Mrs. A. J. Simms are our missionaries at Ponca. Our property is in good condition. The trees set out four years ago now bear fine peaches. Other fruits are flourishing. The yard is gay with flowers, and the house covered with vines. Mrs. Simms has a Christian Endeavor League of more than twenty, meeting on Thursday. The Sunday-school has a full supply of our Methodist literature, seven Journals being taken, and forty Sunday-school Advocates, a fine chart—all, indeed, necessary for efficiency. Several conversions are reported, and some of those who have died have professed faith in Jesus, and rejoice as we do in hope of immortality.

Pawnee, Oklahoma.

The mission property—house and grounds—has been put in order and is, altogether, a model for the people. Mrs. Murray is field matron, paid by the Government, after being recommended by us. She and her husband are giving satisfaction to both whites and Indians. The little church has been renovated, the same church for which the Indians furnished the chairs, saying, "No sit on bench." Twenty-four persons were baptized in October, and as many more will be baptized soon. The congregation is increasing.

Field Matron.

Mrs. Armor, our field matron among the Arapahoes and Cheyennes in Oklahoma, is, with her husband, doing good work. She sends five dollars as a thank-offering for the recovery of her sick child. She and Mrs. Murray, among the Pawnees, are the only field matrons in the Indian and Frontier Bureau. They go to the homes of the Indians, teaching domestic arts and religious principles. Both are held in high esteem by the Indians.

Ukiah, California.

The Ukiah Indian Mission includes three appointments: Ukiah; Potter Valley, in Mendocino County; and Upper Lake, in Lake County.

Rev. J. L. Burchard begins his regular labor the 2d of October. The Indians go away with the children through the summer to work, and return in time for the schools to open. He, and two others, have been, by request of the Indians, appointed as trustees of their temporal interests, while he is also their missionary. Mr. Burchard has been a very aggressive and successful prosecutor of men who have, contrary to law, given whisky to the Indians. Mr. Burchard has the general oversight of all the Indians in a circuit of sixty miles, with three preaching-stations. The schools still keep their Christian teachers.

The following is from Mr. Burchard:

(1) Has any good been accomplished with the Indians? Rev. T. L. Vann, an honored, much-loved local preacher, came to California, and settled in Potter Valley amongst the very first of white men. There he saw the Indians in their wild state. Their mode of living, as to dress, food, tattoos, I have not space to describe. Brother Vann has been near them all these years of change. He is a well-informed man, and he affirms that "history gives no account of any race of people that has made as great improvement as the California Indians in so short a time." This general fact can not be disproved, and surely should be satisfactory to all. I know it is true. (2) There are three

United States Indian day-schools taught within the mission by competent, consecrated women. These have done much good. (3) Within the last two years about sixty Indian boys and girls have been qualified to go, and have been taken to United States Indian training-schools for more complete education, and to learn useful trades. (4) As to religious work: Our beloved presiding elder, S. G. Gale, held his third quarterly-meeting at the Indian camp near Ukiah, Rev. H. J. Winsor, of Ukiah, and Rev. G. W. Beattie, of Anderson Valley, also being present. Each named gave deeply interesting talks. White laymen from Ukiah were also present, and they could testify that the singing by Indians and the testimonies were all hopeful and encouraging.

Yakima Mission, Washington.

This mission is called Yakima, though it includes remnants of many tribes. Here remains the work of Rev. J. H. Wilbur—Father Wilbur—a blessed monument to the wise Indian policy of our great General Grant. The Indians he Christianized and civilized are still open to the appeals of the missionary. The spirit of revival is constant. Altar services are held at all religious gatherings. Mrs. Miller this summer organized a Home Missionary Auxiliary of twenty-four whites and Indians, and she always has Indian money to divide between home and foreign missions. Mrs. Miller both visits and receives the Indians at her home.

Stickney Home and School, Lynden, Washington,

Has had its usual number of pupils, varying from fifteen to eighteen. The Home has been painted and put in general repair. The garden has produced vegetables to the amount of one hundred dollars in value.

Sunday-school is held in the Home. The children are well taught, and have the training of daily family worship, which, we fear, many of our own white children do not have. More attention will be given the coming year to industrial training, especially in dressmaking.

Beneficiaries will be received according as money is given for their support.

The Puget Sound Conference, with little money to spare from its poor ministers, supports two pupils. The Conference is adopting the school with new zeal this year, and the Conference Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Sulliger, promises careful supervision of that distant work.

We bespeak for this school the loving, thoughtful care, prayers, and money of our sisters.

We must not, amid the needy and most appealing work close to our own doors, forget the far-away frontiers, where the poor red sheep of the Master wander in the "gloomerin' meadows." Reach them with your *tones of silver*, and say, "Come in, poor red sheep of the Master, come in."

Homesick and despairing, lands, power, people gone, willingly now these poor sheep listen to the loving call of the Master, "Come in."

MRS. H. C. MCCABE, *Secretary.*

BUREAU FOR ALASKA.

The development of Alaska during the past year has been marvelous. The temporary adjustment of the boundary question has made great progress possible in the southeastern part of the Territory, where towns are growing into permanence, schools are being established, and the rail-

road is being built over the mountains to the headwaters of the Yukon River.

The Yukon Valley has not lost by the growth of interest in other sections. Its mineral resources are scarcely touched, and much of its commerce must pass through our station at Ounalaska.

The Cape Nome District, where the ocean shore is graveled with gold in a way that makes it one of the most productive gold-fields on earth, is north of Ounalaska, and all its outgoing miners and returning wealth must stop at the door of our mission station in the Aleutian Islands.

A great syndicate is developing the copper mines on the Copper River, and a company will have one hundred men at work in the spring opening up the limitless sulphur mines at Mt. Makushin, within ten miles of the Jesse Lee Home. A quartz mine has been opened at Huntsville, five miles away.

The rapid way in which advancement is made and obstacles overcome bids fair to bring a rapid influx of population that is daily becoming more permanent, and that should have churches, schools, and hospitals.

We rejoice that the Missionary Society has at last taken up the work in Southeastern Alaska, organizing Churches and establishing a college for others than natives. We should consider, also, the wisdom of entering some of these open doors and begin work. The Superintendent of the mission informs me, "It is our duty, and we *ought* to do it." I think he is right. The Yukon Valley and other points need some one to plant the gospel of the Prince of peace. Shall it be the Woman's Home Missionary Society?

Two kinds of work are now open to the Christian Church in all that country; viz., the work among the whites—so rapidly going to that land—and the work among the natives. The former may become self-supporting, the latter must depend upon missionary support. The native is almost helpless in the presence of the whites, who absorb the sealeries, the fisheries, and the fur and deer hunting. The native must not be allowed to perish miserably in the onward rush of civilization.

A Home and a school should be established at an early day in the region of Klukwan, where a large body of natives are permanently settled, and where the Greek Church has not gained control, as it has in many other places. The fact is, the time has arrived when we should consider the advisability of enlarging our borders.

The Bureau comes with no minor chord. The past year has not been marked by any great strides, but by a steady, healthy growth.

Seven new inmates have come into the Home. I am glad to say the Greek priest has consented to allow his whole school to attend the public school one half day, in order that they may learn English. This is a great victory, for there they will hear gospel hymns and catch the spirit of Christian teachers, and it means much to the people of the Aleutian Chain. The Esquimaux, whom we anticipated coming from the Arctic, have not yet come to us. We trust this is only a temporary delay.

Miss Rinch, the matron's assistant, was called home by the illness and subsequent death of her mother. The condition of her own nervous system, and the domestic cares that have come to her, will preclude her return to the work she loved so well and did so bravely.

Meanwhile the matron, Mrs. Newhall, is in labors abundant. She writes of the systematic arrangement of the domestic arts and the spiritual tone of the Home. She says: "I have thought and prayed much over the work here. I am trying my best to do all I can to help these people, and I hear a voice saying, 'Go forward!' slowly it may be, but carefully and surely. So we will see the result of our faith and work. I am more in earnest than ever."

Dr. Newhall writes: "The work here is hard and perplexing. We are interested in these children and the prosperity of the Home. There are rays of promise from the village, in the addition of a child now and then. The Greek Church is a dead letter, and losing its grasp on the coming generation. God is with us, and blessing and prospering the work." Dr. Newhall has proven an adjunct in such a variety of ways, that we do not know how we ever did without him. Needed improvements in the Home have received his attention and care, and he has helped the boys and taught them to mend shoes, which is of itself a great stroke of economy. He is not only physician to the Home, but to the villagers and strangers at our doors. He is also the pastor and successful superintendent of the Sunday-school, and "doing with his might what his hands find to do."

The report of the Sunday-school superintendent for the past six months:

Total number present	720
Average attendance	28
Collection	$10 83

Our Sunday-school has prospered during the last six months, and much interest has been manifested. Our school is attended by the white children, by Aleuts, and by Creoles. The Picture-roll is a great factor in impressing the lesson truth. If some Church would send its roll for the last quarter, it would be greatly appreciated by those children.

A library has been started, and many books have been circulated, both amongst the scholars and also white men, who are waiting there *en route* to the Yukon. We pray that God may use the efforts put forth by the Sunday-school, and cause many to be brought to the Savior.

A garden has been started the past year—seeds were sent from Sitka. It has done so well, that we hope for better results another year. Radishes did very well, and there was an abundance for teachers and children. Lettuce was excellent. Kale, carrots, and parsnips grew well. Onions did nicely; but the boys (who had never seen them grow) pulled them up for grass. Peas did not do so well. Turnips were in abundance.

This is but a beginning. A silo has been built that will hold thirty tons of ensilage, which will feed our cows ("Patience" and "Alaska") and two calves.

You will be glad to learn that the children taken to the Government school at Carlisle are improving, and are spoken of by their teachers in very satisfactory terms.

We are doing what we can to raise the funds for the much-needed hospital. We have been urged to send nurse deaconesses to the Cape Nome region, and also establish a hospital there and at St. Michael. So you see the harvest is whitening. It depends upon the patriotic and God-fearing men and women in the States what we will be able to accomplish.

The matron says: "The hospital will be a great help in the complete training of these children. It is my idea to take the girls who have gone through the third year, and let them do the work at the hospital." It would be more like working in a private family. Take each one for a certain time until all have had the practice. What a blessing it will be when they go back to their own people or have homes of their own!

I have written a tract upon the need of a hospital in Alaska. In it I have tried to put the case before the Woman's Home Missionary Society, and I ask that you will read and then act. I know there are many other interests; but there always will be. I trust the women of this Convention will carry this cause upon their hearts, and appeal to their home-folks for help.

MRS. ANNA F. BEILER, *Secretary.*

BUREAU FOR IMMIGRANTS.

THE questions arising from Socialism, Labor, and Trusts are to-day inspiring the strongest intellects of our country, and driving the pens of our best writers. These questions are growing more intricate and important as every steamer lands its living freight of human souls on our Atlantic coast. Immigration, therefore, is a subject of interest to every lover of this country. The homogeneous mass which comes yearly to our shores for a home, comes expecting to better its condition financially, intellectually, and socially. Our Society seeks to help solve these questions by striving to educate *head, heart,* and hands of the children of these aliens, and especially the young girls, and so prepare the future mothers in this country to wield a great and lasting influence for good; thus saving the Nation, as well as the individual.

Immigration has increased, especially the last half of the year. In the month of August six thousand more landed than in the same month last year. In the month of September twenty thousand landed. The largest number ever recorded in one month in New York was in May, 1892, when over sixty-four thousand passed through Ellis Island. Commissioner Quinland says the immigrants this year are of a better class than for several years past. In New York thirty-eight countries have been represented, and in Boston thirty-three, by the incoming immigrants. It would seem that every country on the face of the globe sent representatives to our shores. What a wonderful opportunity to do missionary work, and win the world to Christ! Commissioners on our piers, both in New York and Boston, are not only courteous to our workers, but are kind and helpful, and they highly appreciate our mission work.

No. 9 State Street, New York.

This Home, *so spacious* in its appointments, so enchanting in its outlook on the harbor, and so convenient in its location, is doing a grand and ever-increasing work. It has met with a loss in having to part with its able Superintendent, Mrs. H. C. Waite, whose failing health compelled a resignation in June. She is greatly missed, as she was well adapted to the work. The present Superintendent is doing well, and all is harmonious and pleasant in the Home. Miss Alma Matthews, our worthy missionary there, is faithful and true, winning friends on the pier and in the home, and doing excellent work. Her heart is in it, and she wins many a girl to a better life. Of the fourteen different nationalities in the Home this year many were Finns. These girls are very ignorant of the ways of civilized life, as well as of our language; but they are bright and quick to learn, and are neat, and are much sought after for domestics. They come with shawls on their heads, and from working in the fields in their native land, and have no idea of eating at a table, but soon don the hat, and dress with taste. They generally have more money than many other nationalities, and can pay their way; and for that reason designing women decoy them to intelligence offices to get the two-dollar fee from them for situations. Miss Matthews has acted the detective to save their money as well as their morals. There have been five hundred girls in this Home this year, a great advance from any former year. Last year there were not quite two hundred. Many girls come back to the Home, and tell Miss Matthews of their struggles to overcome bad tempers and other besetting sins, having learned the power of grace to conquer self while under the influence of the Home; while others are helped in remembering the hour

of the family prayers in the Home, and the petitions there offered for them.

The following are the statistics for New York port and Home for the year ending October 1, 1899:

Immigrants landing in New York, 246,845, being 70,000 more than last year. Of this number the Southern Italians lead, having had 63,481, 20,000 more than last year. Hebrews come next in number, having had 27,086; and the Poles next, having 23,015.

Number of steamers met	806
Number of lodgings provided	5,203
Number of meals furnished	16,612
Number of women	433
Number of children	30
Number of men	
Number of Protestants	461
Number of Catholics	4
Number of nations represented	14
Number of situations secured	86
Number of tracts and papers distributed	3,900
Number of letters and postals written	727
Number of telegrams sent	161
Number of girls sent to friends	123
Number of calls made	17

Many visitors in the Home the past year testify to increased interest in the Conference. Miss Matthews has often been called to represent the work throughout the Conference.

East Boston Immigrant Girls' Home, 72 and 74 Marginal Street.

This Home, like the New York Home, is large and well situated for its work, being opposite Cunard Wharf. We are fortunate in this Home in not having had any change in our workers. The tried and true of many years are still faithful and successful in their work. Mrs. Clark finds an ever-widening field, and every year she is more and more relied upon in matters requiring good judgment, as well as work at the pier. We realize the importance of her position, as greater trusts of persons and of money are committed to her care and safekeeping. The sick claim her aid, the poor relief, the unfortunate her sympathy, the bewildered her direction, and the homesick stranger a home and comfort,—all these she gives unstintingly, and often advice to the wayward girl. She is not wanting in religious and temperance work; and many a poor, unfortunate fellow, a slave to drink, has, through her influence, found Christ "able to break every chain." Our children's work is well cared for by Mrs. Clark and her able assistant, Miss Huff. The sewing-class numbers over fifty, and is made up of several nationalities. The Swedes continue to hold our chapel as their place of worship for Sabbath and week-day services. Gifts of money and useful articles enable Christmas and Thanksgiving festivals to be observed; and many a sad heart is cheered, not only with comforts for the body, but the Christ-like spirit and precepts then manifested lift the soul to a richer communion. In May eighty-seven were cared for in the Home, and thirty-three of these were Roman Catholics. Never before have we had such a record. One woman, with a child, came from Spokane, Washington State, to take the steamer for her native land; but, her child having been taken sick on the way, the officers would not allow her to embark. How grateful she was for the shelter of our Home until the recovery of her

child permitted her to go on with her journey! In February a telephone was put into the office of the Home, Mrs. Clark raising the money for the same. It gives not only an air of "up to date" in the office, but enables her to perform much more work, and saves horse-car fare, as well as strength. Repairs and furnishings keep all in excellent condition, and the year has been one of prosperity. The cost of running this Home the past year was $1,527.01, the general treasury paying $1,188 of this amount. The following are the statistics for the year for Boston port and East Boston Home:

Arrivals in port, 20,154. Of this number the Irish lead, having had 8,209. The English are second, having 3,442; the Swedes third, having 2,939. The Finns have had between one and two thousand.

Number of steamers met	72
Number of lodgings provided	3,031
Number of meals furnished	9,920
Number of women	300
Number of children	40
Number of men	177
Number of Protestants	452
Number of Catholics	65
Number of nations represented	13
Number of situations secured	33
Number of tracts and papers distributed	3,330
Number of letters and postals written	457
Number of telegrams sent	56
Number of girls sent to friends	76
Number of calls made on the sick	16

Philadelphia Immigrant Work.

The immigrant *work* is still carried on in this city, but under the Deaconess Home direction; and some features of the work will be given in their report. A deaconess meets all incoming steamers, and gives aid and direction to all who need; and good literature and many Bibles are given out or circulated. Lodgings and meals are often given to the destitute. Two years ago, owing to a contagious disease in the neighborhood affecting the workers, it was thought advisable to close the Home there, and open again in other quarters. Money is paid for those who need help, and much interest is still felt in the work. One young woman from the West Indies, seeking a situation, was taken into the Deaconess Home, and made herself useful by helping in the housework; and, after a month or six weeks, a situation was secured for her. The following are the statistics given:

Number of steamers met	58
Number of immigrants	9,228
Number of Bibles given out	2,127
Number of cards and papers	130
Number of hours spent in the work	89

From these statistics we see over one thousand have been cared for in the two Homes this year. Nine hundred and thirty-six steamers have been met by our workers, and eternity alone will reveal the numbers saved from a worse than physical death.

MRS. G. W. MANSFIELD, *Secretary.*

MOTHERS' JEWELS HOME.

(York, Neb.)

OUR work has been made easier the past year by the aid of the assistant chairman's plans and works abundant for the Home, so kindly granted. Miss Henrietta Bancroft, and many other noted people and special friends of the Home, were among the eight hundred and fifty-eight visitors from abroad this year, but none more beloved than our good Father Harnly.

Children in the Home, October, 1899.....85
Children admitted and returned.....50
Children gone to homes of adoption.....30

Ages of children, two and one-half to sixteen years of age.

Of the boys formerly in the Home, Richard has gone for treatment to the Asylum for the Blind. Several are filling places of trust in railway employ. One is in the United States Naval Department on the Pacific Coast, and several are bookkeepers in large commercial houses.

Of our girls, Maud Truelove is office secretary, and otherwise most helpful in Mothers' Jewels Home. One assists in Omaha Deaconess Home. Others have demonstrated marked ability as nurses, and ardently desire to be nurse deaconesses.

Much blessing has come to the Home through the Mission Supply Department. Some of the special gifts are: A section of Nebraska land, by will of Miss Hannah Deaver, of Springfield, Mo.; the Francie Alexander Library of more than fifty volumes, by the Xenia, Ohio, Auxiliary, is of priceless worth; a new improved Singer sewing-machine, from St. Paul (Lincoln, Neb.) Auxiliary; a medicine cabinet, by the mother of the assistant chairman; the medicine from Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church.

Our children have industrial training from the first,—the boys in farming, garden-work, and care of grounds. They also assist indoors in the preparation of vegetables for cooking, sweeping, laundry, carrying water, etc. We shall add special lines, such as broom-making, shoe and harness repairing, and others, as fast as revenue from special gifts for the purpose and our "Farmer's Lend-a-hand Brigade" permit.

The girls aid in all parts of the work. Thirteen have had special instruction in sewing; eighteen in cooking, dining-room, and laundry work. Instruction in music is given.

Children to the fifth grade (inclusive) are taught in the Home school. Those above attend the city schools. Sixty-three have had Kindergarten instruction.

Forty or fifty attend Church services. All are in the Home Sunday-school, thirty-seven in the League.

The weekly prayer-meetings, the daily Bible-lesson, family worship, and personal work with the children give high tone to the Christian training. Twelve children have been taken in full Church connection this year.

The following from a letter by Mrs. Spurlock expresses the views of those in charge of these stranded little ones:

"I am anxious that the children should grow in grace and in the knowledge of the truth. All else means little, if they are unprepared for a higher, better life. After prayer-meeting I had a heart-to-heart talk with the older boys of Cottage Dormitory. Each told me the time and place he had given his heart to Jesus."

We urge our friends to subscribe for the *Quarterly Greetings*, published in the interest of our Home. Price of single subscription, 15 cents; five for 50 cents; twelve for a dollar.

Aside from the cares and duties, Mrs. Spurlock, as assistant superintendent in the Home, reports additional work as follows:

Assisted or had charge of one Conference and four District Conventions.

Number of parlor meetings held.....10
Number of Auxiliaries organized 4
Regular public addresses made 27

Talked in many Sunday-schools and Leagues, and temperance meetings; wrote or dictated 870 letters, also many postals; traveled 7,128 miles; visits made to our children in their placed homes, 9;—all at expense to Mothers' Jewels Home Incidental Fund of $12.31. Secured clothing for many, and promised support of four beneficiaries, $200. Cash applied on conditional appropriations, $110.

With renewed faith in the usefulness of Mothers' Jewels Home, and in the sympathy, prayers, and support of its many friends, we thank God and take courage. MRS. J. P. NEGUS, *Secretary.*

GLENN INDUSTRIAL HOME.

(641 West Fourth Street, Cincinnati, Ohio.)

FOR eight consecutive years the hospitable doors of Glenn Home have swung ajar in response to the cry of need in our great city.

The year that has just closed has been one of the best in her history.

The Boarding Department has provided a Christian home for fifty girls for different periods of time during the year. Wholesome food, comfortable room, light, and heat are furnished at the rate of three dollars a week. The appointments of the Home are the finest, the property having been the family residence of a wealthy citizen; hence it is possible for us to offer a home of much elegance to the "stranger within our gates." There is nothing institutional about the Home, nor has it the air of a boarding-house. It is the earnest desire of the Board that this missionary home become an object-lesson to all who enter her doors, and that she portray in an increasing measure that true beauty—the beauty of holiness.

If you will kindly turn to the left as you enter the tiled hall, you will find yourself in the prettiest kindergarten in Cincinnati; for the spacious double parlors are devoted to the training of the little ones. Here sixty-two children were enrolled last year, some from the homes of our rich neighbors, and many from the homes of the poor—the wild flowers and the cultivated blossoms, grouped together for a little time each day. The presence of the darlings from comfortable homes is a just tribute to the ability of our Miss Wolfer.

The Mission Kindergarten had an enrollment of eighty children, and, as the name suggests, is held in the Glenn Home Mission in the heart of a most needy section of our city. Miss Lingenfelter has been in charge of this kindergarten since its organization. She feels it the privilege of her life to take the little ones in her arms, as did her Master. On entering this cheery kindergarten one morning, I was attracted by a face as pure as any portrayed by Hoffman, and on inquiry was told that this was our fatherless cripple, who was brought to the kindergarten

each morning in a cart by his companions. On being introduced, I asked, "If he would like one of the ladies of the Board to buy him a pair of crutches?" His face kindled with joy as he replied, "God put that in your heart, lady." "Yes," was my response, "God put that thought in my heart. You love him, and believe that Jesus died for you; do you not?" "Is Jesus dead? I thought he was alive," was the eager reply.

The child was right. Though the crucified Christ is fundamental, the risen Christ must lead us to victory. Let us know more and more of the resurrection power in our work and lives.

Our third kindergarten is in charge of Miss Betty, is situated at Riverside, a suburb in which we have no Methodist Church. Good work has been done in this vicinity for three years, but last year was one of special promise. The mothers of the forty-eight children enrolled have become greatly interested, and have given us much assistance.

We feel that there is no better work than caring for the children of our great cities. We want well-rounded Christian characters for mothers. This training must begin in youth. When we have a better womanhood, we will have a better manhood.

If a picture of the "Siege of Troy," placed before Henry Schliemann, when not ten years of age, caused him to ask during all his manhood, "Where is Troy?" and kept him asking this question until he became the great excavator, shall not the pictures and Christian ideals, set before the boys in our kindergartens, make them Christian citizens? The need of our cities is—kingly men.

Mrs. Stone, Miss Bassett, and Mrs. Given have been our missionaries, the first-named also serving as superintendent of the Home. Five thousand two hundred visits have been made by these devoted women, and thousands of religious papers have been distributed.

The poor and ignorant want more than sermons, they need *mothering*.

Each Sabbath morning our Sunday-school has been held at the Mission. Two hundred children have been enrolled. The majority of the scholars were members of the infant class, though interesting intermediate and Bible classes were sustained. Evangelical services have been held each Thursday evening at the Mission. Testimony, prayer, and praise were encouraged. Souls have been converted.

Mothers' Meetings have been held weekly. Seventy mothers were enrolled in our Mission Mothers' Meeting. These are veritable class-meetings.

The reading of Scripture is followed by song and prayer. Spiritual talks are given by the missionaries or by interested friends. The Christian home is emphasized. If any member be too timid to offer a word of testimony, the uplifted hand denotes a desire for prayers. The cup of coffee and wafer served later become a token of fellowship. Slowly but surely these precious mothers are having their spiritual eyes opened, and are beholding Him whom to know is life eternal.

All women and children touched by us are banded together in Missionary Societies. Our aim is to save the people that they may save others. Glenn Home has two Auxiliaries of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, which meet weekly. One Society raised twenty-five dollars, paid in weekly dues of two cents per member. This Society was the first to report an increase of ten new members, and thus headed the Roll of Honor. We are also proud of our Missionary Band of over forty children, and of our Mothers' Jewel Band of seventy members. The Pine Street Missionary Mothers have made a good supply of new clothing for the poor, have tacked comforts for Glenn Home,

and for our ministers on the frontier, and have paid Miss Bassett's salary for one month.

Sewing-classes have been held for persons of all ages. Mothers have cut down and mended the clothing sent in for distribution, to encourage neatness. The Young Ladies' Industry Club have made dresses, skirts, aprons, and have given their attention to Kensington embroidery. Mrs. Stone is an adept in this line. The younger girls have learned plain sewing, and have made useful articles for their homes.

The kitchengarten class has contained fifty-five pupils. These girls have been taught the dignity of housework.

A class in elocution was trained by Miss Susie Rennick, a member of St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal Church. The Hamilton County Demorest Contest Association awarded a silver medal to Miss Louise Hegg, though the other members of the class, all of whom belonged to us, brought the average so high that many deserve favorable mention. These declamations were on the subject of temperance.

Our missionaries have emphasized temperance in their work. One little daughter repeated the missionary's address on this subject with such feeling to father, that the whisky bottle remained untouched for six weeks.

The social features of the year have been entertainments, given at Christmas, Thanksgiving, Washington's and Froebel's birthdays. On the first-named occasion the Christ-child was emphasized in preference to Santa Claus. The flower market has been visited; picnics have been given, in which the mothers have participated as heartily as the children; social evenings have been held regularly. The birthdays of our members have been celebrated by evenings of recitations, followed by a social hour.

Miss Waldenburg and Miss Holbrook gave a most delightful concert of readings and music.

The Thanksgiving reception and pound party given by the Board was a pleasant social affair. Two hundred and forty pounds of groceries were received from our friends. The missionaries drew from this store to supply the needs of the destitute until the Associated Charities could be summoned. The treasurer, Mrs. Geo. H. Thompson, reports receipts, $2.658.72; disbursements. $2,314.74; balance on hand, June 14, 1899, $343.99.

Thanking all who have in any way assisted us during the year, and asking your gifts and your prayers in the future, I am,

Respectfully, MRS. I. D. JONES, *Chairman.*

ELIZABETH E. MARCY HOME.

(134 Newberry Avenue, Chicago.)

THE following schedule will indicate a small part of the work carried on in the Home:

Marcy Home Bulletin.

Monday.—4–5 P. M., Girls' Circle (devotional).
7–9 P. M., In-door Baseball.
7–9 P. M., Sewing.
Tuesday.—2.30 P. M., Mothers' Meeting (semi-monthly).
4–5 P. M., Girls' Circle (devotional).
7–9 P. M., Boys' Gymnasium (two classes).
7–9 P. M., Sewing.

Wednesday.—4–5 P. M., Girls' Physical Culture.
7–9 P. M., Girls' Physical Culture (two classes).
7–9 P. M., Boys' Sloyd.
7–9 P. M., Embroidery.
Thursday.—4–5 P. M., Kitchengarden.
7–9 P. M., Cooking.
7–9 P. M., Dressmaking.
Friday.—3.30–5 P. M., Library Open.
7–9 P. M., Choir Practice.
7–9 P. M., Anti-cigarette League (semi-monthly).
Saturday.—10.30–12 M., Sewing-school.
Sunday.—9.45 A. M., Sunday-school.
11 A. M., Preaching.
2.30 P. M., Junior Epworth League.
7 P. M., Epworth League.
7.30 P. M., Preaching.
Kindergarten every week-day, 9 A. M. to 12 M.
Dispensary open every day except Sunday at 3 P. M.
Calling done every day when possible.

The past year has been attended with success. During the busy months of winter a grand total of two thousand two hundred children per month passed in and out of our industrial classes, kindergarten, and Sunday-school.

The Dispensary is now open every afternoon, except Sunday, and is reaching a large number of our worthy, needy sick. Dr. Jennie Hayner has continued with us from the opening. Dr. E. S. Barker, having come to us in June, is alive to the needs of our community, and to his opportunity as a Christian physician. A Marcy Home Dispensary sign, seven and a half feet in length, adorns our Home,—the gift of a Jewish friend.

In the Mercy and Help Department we have not only distributed clothing, but have affiliated with the hospitals, orphanages, bureaus of charity, Relief and Aid Society, and County Office. Suffering has been relieved, children cared for, and temporary aid rendered. A permanent home has been found for one poor orphan boy.

Our kindergarten is one of the best in the city. Its equipment is complete, and the school self-supporting. Total receipts for the year were $67.20, expenses $46.26. In September, 1899, our school opened with an enrollment of seventy-six. Our director has come to live with us, to be one of us, and takes delight as well as interest in the work.

Social and labor questions largely affect, and often vex our people uncomfortably crowded in congested quarters. The tenement district speaks its own story of misery and want. The problems of youth appeal to us for solution; but child labor, "sweat shops," low wages, and long hours yet remain. Heart-breaking incidents are of frequent occurrence, and tax our strength and ingenuity.

Our industrial classes are patronized by younger boys and girls, though we have a number of classes for the working young people, in whom we try to instill the dignity of labor, nobility of service, and principles of right living and doing.

The summer outing gave pleasure and profit to children and mothers.

Our Sunday-school maintained a good average, considering discouragements. Sunday picnics and other forms of Sunday desecration are counteracting influences in our community.

Preaching-services are conducted by the pastor.

The Junior Epworth League is growing in interest and numbers.

An Epworth League recently organized promises to be of spiritual value to its members.

Nine of our older girls are now members of the Church in full connection, and four others are members on probation. In August our chapel was re-seated with assembly chairs, and furnished with a new organ.

We are indebted to friends and non-resident workers for excellent service rendered in sewing-school, Sunday-school, gymnasium, and other classes.

Words are inadequate to describe the work or results wrought out at Marcy Home; but the field is fruitful, and we exclaim, "What hath God wrought!"

To the above detailed report from the superintendent of Marcy Home, Miss Bertha Fowler, it seems necessary to add very little. We are more than satisfied with our workers there, both those who reside in the Home, and those who come in for their weekly lessons, some of which are given without charge for the love of Christ. Good management, hospitality, cleanliness, harmony, zeal, and love for the work, patience with difficulties and discomforts that may arise, are evident to all who visit the Home. With more workers our current expenses are increased, but we are hoping and planning to increase our provision for them. Our superintendent is a host in herself, and through her frequent visits and appeals to various societies and Churches is increasing interest in the Home, and adding to its resources.

We regret that more prominence can not be given to direct Bible-study and religious teaching. The large proportion of Jewish and Roman Catholic children would not attend our classes if their religious prejudices were disregarded.

Of course, the Sabbath services are strictly in accordance with our religious beliefs and customs.

The acting pastor and preacher is a young student of Northwestern University, who also gives Saturday afternoons to visitation among the people. He was appointed to the work by the presiding elder of Chicago Western District, and serves (I believe) without salary.

Nine of the girls in the Sunday-school have recently joined the Church in full connection, and four more are on probation.

We greatly miss the unfailing devotion of our dear Sister Marcy in this work, and feel that no one can fully supply her place. The Elizabeth E. Marcy Home is her monument.

MRS. L. C. LATIMER, *Chairman.*

WATTS DE PEYSTER INDUSTRIAL HOME AND SCHOOL FOR GIRLS.

(Tivoli, New York.)

ONE more year is added to the history of Watts de Peyster Industrial Home and School for Girls,—a year of progress in all departments. Nine girls have been received during this time, and three returned to friends to demonstrate the practical training acquired at the Home, leaving sixty as our family number. With the exception of a visit of la grippe during the winter, the health of the girls has been excellent. There are some very good students in the school, and we are hoping for them greater opportunities for acquiring knowledge when they go out from among us. In the Industrial Department there is attention

to detail, and praiseworthy work is done. The heating-apparatus, for which was voted so large an appropriation last year, was in operation through the winter, and during the severest weather the family were very comfortable. A sick-room for contagious diseases was built in our gymnasium (unused as such) by order of the physician, though we are happy to report no need for it last year. Two large dormitories have been painted, adding much to the comfort and appearance of the rooms. A paper was issued in the spring to advance the interests of the Home, which accomplished its object, and the knowledge of the work has increased encouragingly. We would like to take this opportunity of thanking the friends, Conferences, Auxiliaries, Churches, and individuals who have so nobly remembered us in beneficiary money and donations of all kinds. May this generous spirit continue! I would not close this report without making special mention of the spiritual growth of the girls. Their devotion is real, their singing uplifting, and their prayers earnest. We praise Him for the past, and trust Him for the future.

MRS. F. C. MORGAN, *Chairman of Committee.*

BUREAU FOR DEACONESS WORK.

"FOR if the trumpet give an uncertain sound, who shall prepare himself for the battle?"

It is with no uncertain sound that we come to you with the report of the Deaconess Bureau for the last year. It has been "fruitful in good work." I trust its members have "increased in the knowledge of God," and I am sure they have been "strengthened with all might, according to His glorious power."

It is eleven years ago this autumn—in October, 1888—since the Woman's Home Missionary Society appointed its first Committee on Deaconess Work. As has been well said, the Society has always had this worker; but special conditions for her development were supplied by the General Conference of 1888.

We point you to the table of statistics to show you how wonderfully the work has increased during these eleven years through the manifest blessing of Divine favor. The present year we again report to you an advance in the number of our Homes, the number of our deaconesses, and the amount of money invested in our property. Within the year new work has been opened at Sioux City, Ia.; at Columbus, Ohio; Indianapolis, Ind.; Troy, N. Y.; St. Paul, Minn., and other cities.

This fall, also—1899—a Training-school has been opened at Kansas City, in connection with Bethany Hospital; and Miss Pegram, an experienced high-school teacher, who has left a fine position to devote herself to deaconess work, has gone as its superintendent.

We should not omit to mention, also, that an excellent Training-school has developed in connection with the Aldrich Memorial Home. Mrs. W. J. Aldrich has manifested great perseverance and faith in the conduct of this work, and is now reaping the fruits of her devoted labors.

We are glad to report that the Training-school at San Francisco has done admirable service for the cause. Up to the present time it has been supported through local efforts alone. Beside training and maintaining deaconesses for the California Conference, it has sent seven to the Southern California Deaconess Home, one to Denver, and one to Salt Lake City; that is, it has sent nine deaconesses forth to the general help of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, without a penny of expense to the National Treasury. The time has now come when

it needs help. The Society must stand by it, not only with sympathy, but with financial aid. An earnest body of men and women are giving themselves to forwarding deaconess work in San Francisco. The president of the Board, Mrs. Sims; the superintendent of the Home, Mrs. Carver; and the dean of the Training-school, Rev. Dr. J. N. Beard, who, without money and without price, is giving his ripe educational experience to advance this work,—all of these deserve a word of greeting from this Society.

In addition to the Bancroft Rest Home by the sea, at Ocean Grove, the Woman's Home Missionary Society has acquired another beautiful Rest Home among the mountains, at Mountain Lake Park, Md.—the Thompson Rest Home—named for an eminent minister of Christ. Quite recently a third rest cottage at Round Lake, New York, small, but furnished throughout, has been presented to the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Troy Conference, to be known as the Caroline Rest Cottage.

During the year three notable Deaconess Assemblies have been arranged for and successfully conducted. The first was held at San Francisco, in April, and was known as the First Deaconess Assembly of the Pacific Coast. This was largely under the direction of Rev. Dr. J. N. Beard, dean of the San Francisco Training-school, and the ministers of the Pacific Coast. The Secretary of the Deaconess Bureau and Miss Bancroft, the Field Secretary, were present. The second was held at Ocean Grove, in July, a continuation of deaconess meetings that had been held there for ten consecutive years. It was known as the Deaconess Anniversary, and was in connection with the Woman's Home Missionary Society Anniversary. For the last two years Bishop Fitz-Gerald has wisely and faithfully guided us in the conduct of these deaconess meetings. The third meeting, a new departure of great interest to our Church, was the School of Methods for Deaconess Workers held at Chautauqua, August 7th, 8th, and 9th. Our beloved Bishop Ninde and Mrs. Fisk, our President, presided over this meeting.

One recommendation passed at Chautauqua deserves the careful consideration of all of our Deaconess Homes. In the study of vacation needs and Rest Homes, the expenses necessarily incurred by the workers led to the following recommendation:

"The deaconess workers assembled at Chautauqua would recommend that our Deaconess Homes be urged to provide five dollars apiece, annually, for the traveling expense of each deaconess."

These gatherings were all occasions of much interest and profit, both to the deaconesses themselves, and to all others interested. Such assemblies offer rare opportunities for grounding our people in the knowledge of the work, and giving stimulus and breadth of conviction and knowledge to the deaconesses.

We desire, also, to note, as a step in advance, the recognition given the deaconesses themselves in the new by-laws passed at the last Annual Meeting of the Board of Managers, held at Pittsburg. The first of these provides for giving deaconesses a place in the National Bureau for Deaconess Work. The second orders that "The superintendent of any Deaconess Home associated with the Woman's Home Missionary Society shall be a member of the Executive Board of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Conference in which the Home is located." The third provides that "The deaconesses of any Deaconess Home associated with the Woman's Home Missionary Society may select annually one of their own number, who is a member of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, to represent them at the meetings of the Conference Society." This will give at every Conference meeting the pres-

ence of deaconesses to awaken, hold, and establish interest in the deaconess work of that Conference.

The past year the Secretary of the Bureau has been greatly aided by the untiring labors of the Field Secretary, the Deaconess-at-Large, and later by three Field Deaconesses. The work of the Field Secretary and the Deaconess-at-Large is reported elsewhere.

The Field Deaconesses are proving most valuable adjuncts to our forces. Miss Winifred Spaulding, well known as the first Superintendent of the Los Angeles Deaconess Home, entered the Bureau as Field Secretary in February, 1899. In the spring she did a work in Kansas that will not soon be forgotten. She has since served in California and Colorado. We welcome Miss May Villa Patten as our second Field Deaconess. Her thorough preparation, both at the Training-school and at Boston Theological School, combined with her sincere consecration to God's service, peculiarly fit her for this field. After making a tour up the Northern Pacific Coast and through the Northwest in the spring and early summer of 1899, as an organizer of the Society, Miss Patten has decided to consecrate her life to God's service as a deaconess, and is regularly enrolled as a Field Deaconess. Miss Luella Johnson, a graduate of the last class at the Training-school, has already given acceptable and valuable aid to our work in Ohio, Indiana, Northern New York, and Iowa.

The sympathies of the Society should be extended to our valued Assistant Secretary of the Bureau, Mrs. D. A. Minard, who, during the past year, has sustained a severe loss in the death of her revered father, Rev. Dr. Chambers, of Buffalo, an honored minister of the Church. Dr. Chambers proved his devotion to the work by leaving a bequest of five hundred dollars to the Buffalo Deaconess Home, saved from the slender resources of the Methodist ministry.

Our hearts are still weighed down by the loss of the beloved Corresponding Secretary of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, Mrs. Dr. R. S. Rust. We miss her constant sympathy, her intelligent and indefatigable co-operation in the conduct of the Bureau. Each week, as it passes, shows more plainly our loss. Truly, "God's workmen die, but the work still goes on." We must not remain weighted down by sadness. Let us enter the closing year of the nineteenth century, which marks the completion of the twentieth year of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, with joy and thanksgiving for what is past, and with confident faith and trust for the glorious opportunities that are coming.

Field Secretary.

The growth of the work of the Deaconess Bureau, the necessity of having some one who could go from one Home to another, and study the different institutions—these, and other reasons, led to the election of a Field Secretary of the Deaconess Bureau in October, 1897, at the Annual Meeting in Baltimore.

Chosen for this place while filling the position of Preceptress and Professor of English at Albion College, Mich., I was unable to leave my college duties until March 1, 1898, from which date I have had the privilege of serving, without vacation, up to the present. My first duty was to visit all the Deaconess Homes of the Woman's Home Missionary Society in the East and Middle West. This, with the accompanying responsibilities of representing both the Woman's Home Missionary Society and the deaconess work at Conventions, Conferences, and other public meetings, occupied the time until December,

1898, when I started for the Pacific Coast, visiting, on the way, the Homes at Denver and Salt Lake City. Proceeding to California, I remained there, working in the Conferences, until April. After taking part in the deliberations of the First Deaconess Assembly of the Pacific Coast, held at San Francisco in April, I traveled north, working in the Conferences of Oregon, Washington, and Montana.

Stopping in Montana, I organized our first Conference Society in the State. Coming East to arrange for duties awaiting me at the National Training-school in connection with the stationing of deaconesses, I spent the summer in attending the large Conventions, Deaconess Assemblies, and other places, where called upon to represent the work.

The year has brought a varied experience and a deep feeling of thankfulness to God for His goodness in permitting me to work for Him in such blessed service.

During the eighteen months of my labors I have traveled more than 31,000 miles. I have given 270 formal addresses; those organized, 1 Conference, 2 Circles, and 34 Auxiliaries. I have worked in forty Conferences, have distributed many thousand pages of literature, and have secured many subscribers for both our papers.

I have also secured many students for our National Training-school, some of whom are now at the school, and others will enter the coming year.

HENRIETTA A. BANCROFT,
Field Secretary of Deaconess Work.

EDITOR'S NOTE.—In addition to the above labors, the Field Secretary secured in money paid to the genelal treasury and pledges, $3,547, besides many collections taken in Conferencces, paid through Conference Treasurers, that would increase this amount to over $5,000.

Deaconess at Large.

Before giving the regular statistical report furnished by Miss Durham, the Secretary of the Bureau will add a few facts concerning our beloved Deaconess-at-Large. Miss Iva May Durham is the daughter of a Methodist minister (as also is the fact concerning the Secretary and Field Secretary). In 1890, Miss Durham graduated from the Classical Department of the Illinois State Normal Institution at Bloomington, Ill. After teaching two years in a high-school, Miss Durham spent a year in advanced studies at Wellesley, and a further year in teaching; and then, to quote her own words, "The Spirit of God took hold of me for other things, and led me to choose the spiritual as greater than the intellectual life. My plans were changed. God called me into direct Christian service, and opened the door for me to enter." After three years of evangelistic and deaconess work, Miss Durham entered upon the broader field of Deaconess-at-Large to the Bureau, in which position God has providentially blessed her labors.

The following statistics represent only the outward aspects of her year's work:

Number of miles traveled	15,000
Addresses	260
Leaflets and papers distributed	6,000
Letters written	1,200
Auxiliaries organized	6

Miss Durham has awakened great interest in our National Training-school, and secured many students for the same.

EDITOR'S NOTE.—Combining moneys reported through general treasury and Conference treasuries, Miss Durham has secured during the year $2,504

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THE growth which has attended the National Training-school in preceding years has continued during the past one. The class which was graduated in May last was the largest known in our history. Nineteen received diplomas, and four others certificates in special studies. Nearly all these are already at work in the service of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

For the present school year fifty-nine students have been accepted. Three who were with us have, under the pressure of need, been detailed for active service. Of the students present, seven are nurses, sixteen are beneficiaries, four have their support guaranteed in whole or in part, two provide support for themselves for one year, and the rest are self-supporting. The new students impress us favorably, and the spirit with which they have entered upon their work is commendable.

Important changes have taken place in the *personnel* of the resident Faculty. To fill the vacancy which occurred, the Executive Committee of the Woman's Home Missionary Society elected Miss M. M. Tompkinson, of Harrisburg, Pa., to the position of Preceptress, her sister, Miss Ellen F. Tomkinson, assisting her. These ladies have for many years conducted a private seminary of high reputation. To experience in teaching and executive ability in the management of institutions they have added personal observation of the deaconess work of the Mildmay and other institutions by residence in London; but, with the spirit of rare self-sacrifice and devotion to the cause of Christ, they have relinquished their former lucrative employment to give their skill and culture to our school for the moderate allowance of a deaconess. Miss Tomkinson has, during the brief period of her incumbency as Preceptress, justified the expectations entertained of her, while her sister has assumed the charge of the Department of Literature.

The Faculty has also been greatly strengthened by the election of Miss Blanche Zehring to the Chair of Ethics, Church History, and Supplementary Studies. A graduate of Ohio Wesleyan University, a Doctor of Philosophy of Yale University, Dr. Zehring has deliberately declined eminent positions, including large emoluments, to accept a place in our school, giving entirely her valuable skill to us, also for the meager compensation of a deaconess. The other resident Faculty—Miss Wilson, and Mrs. Hernandez—continue as during last year; while the non-resident members, consisting of pastors, physicians, and teachers, still favor us with their experience and skill.

The spirit of self-sacrifice is not confined to our instructors. Amongst our students are several who, with good salaries as teachers, or with profitable employment in other branches of industry, have relinquished hope of earthly gain, to serve the cause of the Master. Our school is showing what the history of the Church has often demonstrated, that our Protestant doctrine of faith in Christ can develop the highest type of heroic self-renunciation.

The school is now prepared to train those who feel that their call is to the work of home missionaries and superintendents, as distinct from that of deaconesses. Domestic science, cooking, cutting and making of dresses, and other forms of industrial work will be more thoroughly taught. Amongst our students are some experts, from whom we expect aid in this department.

Experience is teaching us that, while the diploma of the school should be granted only to those who pursue the full course of study, there are individual cases in which special adaptation to particular forms of service may, by the exercise of personal care and oversight on our part, secure to the Society the help of women who will be exceedingly useful in some of the various fields, even if they can not measure up to the literary requirements of the school.

The Correspondence Course, about which inquiry is often made, has not yet been perfected. The literary part of our course may be pursued at home; but so much of our work is practical that even the two years of school life are all too short to acquire this important part of training. Yet we should not be more exacting than other schools, which

do admit, even to the most advanced class, those who are competent to enter it.

Our library has received considerable additions during the year, a most valuable boon to our students, who generally are unable to provide themselves with books of reference. While numerous friends have generously contributed, I note especially the donation by Hon. Senator Teller of "The Messages of the Presidents of the United States," published by act of Congress; and, also, the donation, by the Woman's Home Missionary Auxiliary of Seneca Falls, N. Y., of fifty volumes from the library of a venerable Methodist preacher. But within the past three weeks our Library has received the largest and most valuable contribution ever made to it at one time, in the gift, by the honored President of this Society, of one hundred and seventy-five volumes of choice religious, historical, literary, and miscellaneous works from the private library of the late General Clinton B. Fisk.

The pressing need of the school continues to be the increase of accommodations. Enlargement has ceased to be a desirable convenience, and has become an urgent necessity. Our students are lodged in six different places. Every building owned or rented by us is filled. Additional rooms are difficult to procure. From an economical point of view it would be cheaper to borrow money and pay interest, than to pay the rent of hired houses. Inconvenience, loss of time, interruption of discipline and unity, increased expense, might be endured; but a more serious consideration is that the lack of room limits the school mainly to those who are to permanently engage in missionary work, and prevents enlargement of its scope. Of the many advantages which Washington City enjoys, one is pre-eminent. Our National Government expends more labor and money in the collection and publication of data upon those sociological problems with which the employees of this Society deal than any other on the globe. More and more must such questions engage the attention of civilized governments; and there is no place which surpasses Washington in the opportunity of studying them. The National Training-school of a great denominational Society, with Auxiliaries all over the land, must have the superiority over local and independent schools. To endow in our National Capital upon a permanent foundation an institution where, in conjunction with the Word of God, and under religious direction, a high grade of industrial, sociological, ethical, and sanitary science shall be taught, and which shall be a center, not only for the diffusion of knowledge, but for the radiation of influence in promoting benevolent and philanthropic enterprises, would be doing a service to the world, and would entirely accord with the purpose of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

Rust Hall has been long a dream and an expectation. Its erection has now become a sacred duty. The noble woman, in whose honor it is named, who was one of the founders of this Society, and has long been one of its most zealous, wise, and beloved promoters, has ceased to be with us in the flesh. Her interest in the Training-school was unflagging. She was instrumental in its inauguration. She has been ready, with counsel, advocacy, and means, to further its welfare. No monument will perpetuate her memory more appropriately than the completion of the building, which will forever tell the world of her life, her sacrifices, and her devotion to the cause of humanity.

In founding a Training-school for missionaries and deaconesses, this Society was doubtless governed by the conviction that the sphere of these two classes is essentially the same; viz., the evangelization and bringing to Christ of the masses who are outside the pale of the organized Churches. Vagueness as to the scope of deaconess work would be

fatal to the success of the order. That which tries to do everything ends, usually, in doing nothing. The deaconess is a missionary. The duties prescribed for her by the Discipline are missionary. She may be a visiting, nurse, teaching, superintending missionary, but in all cases a missionary. For this reason the deaconess order ought to be associated with our Woman's Missionary Societies as a guarantee that this design shall be carried out. In a body so thoroughly organized as is the Methodist Episcopal Church, there are surely agencies sufficient to meet all the needs of the Church itself. The deaconess order was instituted to supply the outlying fields, where agencies are few and laborers scarce. And the Woman's Home Missionary Society knows best the wants of its own field, and prefers to educate its helpers in its own school.

Another consideration which governed the Society was the conviction that careful technical education is essential to the success of a missionary. This is an age of science, that is, of systematized knowledge as distinct from hypothesis and tradition. Unskilled labor is steadily dropping out from every department of employment (mental or mechanical), and skilled labor usurping its place. It is as true of benevolence as of anything else that, in its right administration, wisdom, judgment, and co-ordination of effort are requisite if the community is not to be harmed. It is even more true; for responsibilities increase with the importance of the matters with which they are concerned, and dangers keep pace with responsibilities. Charity is a divine thing; but when it ceases to be merely a principle, and becomes a practice, it is a human thing, and subject to law. Those who attempt to correct the evils of the world must know these evils and their causes. The rapid movements of modern society effect constant changes in social problems, and necessitate special studies and adaptation of means. The peculiar conditions of our land make our social problems more complex, and demand methods that are different from those of other lands. The changing character of our cities compels careful and thorough study. It is not in the slums only that danger lurks. The suburb is becoming even more perilous to religion and the Churches. In the one, vice and sin appear in their grosser forms; in the other are found more formidable foes—apathy, indifference, alienation from religious associations, the tendency to dispense with God and the supernatural in conduct as in criticism. Whoever would meet these new conditions must be wise enough to adapt the methods to them. The deaconess or missionary who carries the message of salvation, who helps the needy, who cares for the distressed and orphan, who seeks the straying and sinning, should be one who is well rounded and balanced, trained, and equipped for every emergency that arises, apt to teach the poor and the rich, to minister to the slum and the suburb.

These are the considerations we strive to keep in mind in the management of the Training-school. By our observance of them we desire to be judged; and, in realizing them, we beg your co-operation that our school may stand in the front rank of institutions for the education of women for all kinds of benevolent, philanthropic, and practical Christian service.

Sibley Hospital.

(Reported by Mrs. D. B. STREET, Washington, D. C.)

Sibley Hospital came to us through the seed-sowing of Mrs. Jane Bancroft Robinson in a parlor meeting, held years before in our city. We received the gift with much gratitude; for it opened the way to educate those who came to us for training as nurse deaconesses. A large number of the leading physicians of our city were asked to form

the medical staff; and the record of the two years' work was in every way creditable. The money given each year by the General Society was not lost, but aided in the care of one hundred and fifty of the city's poor.

One fact gave us great anxiety (I mean no discourtesy to physicians, as I am the wife of one), but our staff knew nothing of economy, and all we women could do was to *preach it* to them. Suddenly we found ourselves confronted with a debt of over fifteen hundred dollars that we must ourselves pay. You may be sure that decisive action was taken immediately. The Hospital was temporarily closed, the staff dismissed, and we burdened with a debt upon us, from which we saw no way to extricate ourselves. But God had many and valuable lessons for us to learn, both in the carrying on and closing of the work, which will be invaluable to us in the future.

Long ago many of our women learned to love our own Dr. Ames, as he came in and out of our homes as our pastor; and their interest was awakened by his appeal to them for aid. None of those present can ever forget a little gathering in one of our class-rooms, when he told the dear Father of our discouragement and distress, and how, in return, we felt the very presence and power of the Holy Spirit, that sent us forth to labor for this work committed to our care. Largely through the personal effort of Dr. Ames the indebtedness was paid by friends in Washington, so that, last October, we were enabled to reopen the Hospital, without a dollar of indebtedness upon it, on an entirely new plan from any other in our city. There was to be no medical staff, but any physician could treat his patients there as in their own home. A small Board of Managers were elected to give to it their constant care and supervision, and see to it that *no debt* for incidental expenses ever again rests upon it.

We were most fortunate to secure as head nurse an earnest, consecrated deaconess—a graduate nurse of two hospitals—who is not only a competent nurse, but combines with it great executive ability in the managing and training of the nurses, and rare business qualification, that will be of incalculable aid in putting the Hospital on a paying basis. She has sent out, during the year, nurses to work in several fields, who, we believe, will give great satisfaction as deaconess nurses.

About half the support of the institution has come from the pay patients and outside nursing, the balance from our Auxiliaries. When you know that we have only five pay rooms, you can understand that it is a fine record.

On the present plan our Hospital is a great success. A large number of our leading physicians are interested in it. Our only trouble is that we have not been able to supply them with the pay rooms that they require, sometimes seven and eight calls a week. It is the only institution of any kind that sends out district nurses to go from house to house among the sick poor to minister to them; and it is the only hospital in our Nation's Capital, where the soul is ministered to as well as the body.

We are fortunate in having sent to us, to aid in the work in Washington, two sweet sisters, who have already been a benediction to our Home. I refer to the Misses Tomkinson, whom we are already pleased to name as the Law and the Gospel. The Law has been present with us in Convention, but the Gospel is left at home; and we are glad that she finds it part of her duty to sit at the table with the nurses, so they will rest and not talk of sick people and operations at the table, and then to go from bed to bed to talk and pray with the lonely ones committed to our care.

All this, dear sisters, that you may know of the progress of your work, and that the comfort and ministry carried on by the Woman's Home Missionary Society in this corner of the vineyard is past calculation. Only when the mists have rolled away, and we hear in the New Jerusalem the voices of those saved through the ministry in Sibley Hospital, will we be able to realize what the interest on the investment of a few dollars can mean.

The cry for enlargement is so great that we want to meet the demand, and feel that we will be greatly hindered in our work unless we go forward. Plans are ready for the enlargement, which will cost twelve thousand dollars. Two thousand dollars of this amount was pledged in Washington, and we come, asking that the Society will grant us one thousand dollars per year until the amount for the building is canceled; and we will pay the interest and ourselves take care of the incidental expenses.

The children's ward, colored ward, reception hall, Director's room, one private room, several beds, and cribs have not yet been taken to furnish. We would greatly appreciate your help in this good work.

Aldrich Memorial Deaconess Home and Training-School.

401 Lyon Street, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Mrs. W. J. ALDRICH, Superintendent.

We are just entering upon the sixth year since the dedication of our Home, and the third year of our Training-school.

The past year has been our most successful year, double the number of students of the previous year, and a very satisfactory financial showing.

The President of our Board remarked at our last Board Meeting, "If any institution was ever under the special watch-care of the Lord, it is this one; for it is *supplied with funds, I know not how.*"

While I was fearing we might suffer loss by my illness, the Father gave me this word, "Ye shall not need to fight in this battle; set yourselves; stand ye still, and see the salvation of the Lord with you; fear not, nor be dismayed."

As every finished room was full last year, it became apparent that, if students increased, the rooms lying idle on our third floor must be made available; but the money to finish must come through the naming of memorial rooms. Who would secure them? Then it was the Lord's words, "Ye shall not need to fight," etc., were literally fulfilled; for in a few months all the rooms and part of the windows were named, and the money was safe in bank, without effort of mine. Then the sound of the carpenter's hammer and saw made merry music all the day. Five fine large rooms were ready at the opening of the school.

We are taking up "Travelers' Aid" work at the Union Depot; and much interest is manifested by the officials of the railroads, who have pledged their hearty co-operation in this much-needed work. All our deaconesses, including the graduates, are engaged to aid pastors outside the city.

The Baltimore Deaconess Home.

708 West Lombard Street, Baltimore, Maryland.

Miss ANNA LEIDIGH, Superintendent.

Under the auspicies of the Baltimore Deaconess Home are two large kindergartens, one in a building owned by the Deaconess Board, the other in connection with the Bohemian work. There are four schools—one Bohemian, one for colored children, another in the midst of a Jew-

ish population, and the fourth in one of the most congested districts of the city. Over one thousand children are under the care of these schools, and their families are reached by their influence.

The weekly Mothers' Meetings for sewing and religious instruction present a great opportunity for personal work, which reacts upon the homes, bringing them up to a higher plane of life.

Every Tuesday evening about eighty young people assemble for the study of the Bible.

The infant departments in our Mission Sunday-schools are composed largely of children who are under the influence of the kindergarten.

The deaconesses received the benefit of lectures that were given for them at the Home. The great success of the work done in the new building at Rogers Mission has been a convincing argument as to the benefit of connectional centers of deaconess work.

The great undertaking of the year has been the Institutional Building for the Bohemian Mission work. From the time the Woman's Home Missionary Society considered the opening of a Deaconess Home in Baltimore, the Bohemian work has been an especial feature. The first regular work of the deaconesses was the Bohemian Mission school, which has constantly grown in importance. Finally it was decided to erect a building for the work. The Bohemians can not enjoy worship in a place not especially consecrated for its purpose. After much consideration it was decided to erect an Industrial Building, capable of accommodating various departments of mission work, including rooms for kindergarten, kitchengarden, industrial school, Mothers' Meetings, and an audience-room for public worship. The cost of the building will be increased by the erection of a home to accommodate the pastor of the Mission, and to contain rooms for connectional deaconess work. The President of the Board, Mrs. Dr. John Neff, and her devoted helpers, are giving themselves with untiring effort to securing funds for the erection of this building, the first of the kind in American Methodism.

Bancroft Rest Home.

74 Cookman Avenue, Ocean Grove, New Jersey.

As we pause to place another milestone in the history of Bancroft Rest Home, it is with profound gratitude to Him who stills calls His own aside for rest and communion.

The blessed women of the Woman's Home Missionary Society have undertaken the care of this enterprise in the spirit of the Master himself, who came not to be ministered unto, but to minister. We desire particularly to name our gratitude to our beloved officers, Mrs. Anna Kent and Mrs. W. F. Day, and to the members of the Board.

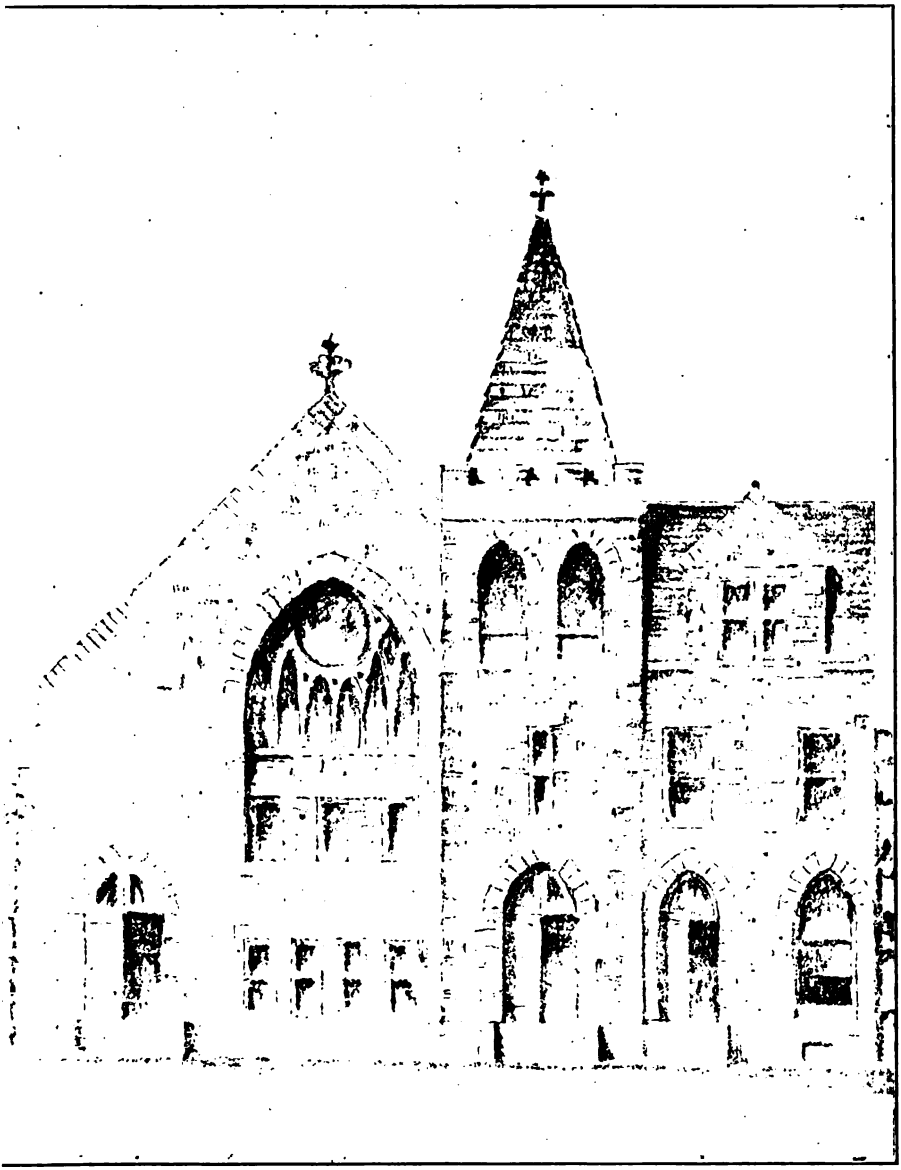
Workers gleaning in many fields have met here—fields both home and foreign. His banner over all has been love.

The Christlike spirit pervading the Home is that of holiness unto the Lord, purity, and peace—His peace that hushes the weary soul into rest; and our hearts enlarge as we take in, one by one, all who enter.

As in the past, our Industrial Schools have been represented in the helpers. This year it has been Ritter Home. The faithful young women have won many hearts. Trusty and true, doing their work as unto the Lord.

Dr. Margaret Curry has given faithful and skillful service to our suffering ones, coming whenever called, and gladly contributing professionally.

The house continues to meet the purpose for which it was planned, and often it is said, "How blessed this place!"



THE BALTIMORE INSTITUTIONAL BUILDING FOR BOHEMIAN WORK.

Erected by the Deaconess Board and Woman's Home Missionary Society of Baltimore Conference.

Bethany Hospital and Fisk Training-School.

Kansas City, Kansas.

For nearly eight years a Methodist Hospital has been in existence in Kansas City. It has gone prosperously forward, with a successful record. Not only has its present building been paid for, but within the last year eigthy-three feet of ground have been purchased; and now comes a most generous giver—Rev. T. H. James, of the Northwest Kansas Conference—who has donated sixty thousand dollars for a building for this Hospital, to be erected in the near future. The last report of Bethany says: "This Hospital appeals to every head and heart, without human speech. The rich, the poor, the high, the low, are called upon to suffer in some form; and the doors of Bethany are wide open to the poorest as well as to the rich. There is no distinction of creed nor color in the receiving of patients. We are glad to say that there are over thirty charity beds in connection with this Hospital."

Fisk Training-School.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church began work in connection with the Bethany Hospital in the autumn of 1899 by opening a Deaconess Home and Bible Training-school at 251 Orchard Avenue. A desire having arisen to name this institution in honor of our National President, the Conferences to whom this institution naturally ministers are called upon to contribute $100 to $200 apiece to secure the $1,000 needed to insure the naming of the school.

There are now in the Home, Miss Pegram, the superintendent; Miss Jones, the visiting deaconess; and Miss Riggle, a kindergartner. This is but a small beginning of what we have faith to believe will be a large and effective institution, that will minister to the wants of the Middle West in providing efficient training for deaconesses.

One of our experienced missionary workers writes: "There is no institution more needed in connection with our Woman's Home Missionary Society than is this new Training-school, opened at Kansas City. You may count upon me to do all I can in the way of gifts and sympathy."

Bidwell Deaconess Home.

1155 West Ninth Street, Des Moines, Iowa.

Miss H. IDA BENSON, Superintendent.

Miss CARRIE B. LEIGHTON, Assistant Superintendent.

The past year has shown a steady growth in the deaconess work in Iowa. The Boys' Club and girls' sewing-school, in First Church, Des Moines, operated largely through our deaconesses, have gathered many children from off the streets, and are training them for lives of usefulness. As a result of the personal work of our deaconesses seventy-one persons have been converted and brought into our Churches.

In December, Miss Humphrey went to Sioux City, in response to an urgent plea. While there, she made over one thousand canvassing calls, and aroused such enthusiasm among the Churches that a Deaconess Home was projected, and is in process of establishment. In June she resigned her position as superintendent of our Home, and became superintendent of the Home in Sioux City.

Mrs. Benson, formerly superintendent of the San Francisco Training-school, succeeded Miss Humphrey in July; and Miss Leighton, a graduate of the National Training-school, became assistant superintendent in August. Miss Wetherbee was obliged to resign in April, on account of ill-health. Miss Belding is doing efficient work in Wesley

Church. There are now four probationers in the Home. Lack of room has compelled the Board of Managers to decline several applications.

The deaconess work in Des Moines has been very much stimulated the past year by the presence of Miss Durham, Deaconess-at-Large. The pastors of many of our Churches have been ably assisted in revival work by our deaconess.

We believe that a well-organized Home Missionary Society in a Church can do a work that a pastor often can not do; and where the Church Society is not large enough to support a deaconess all the year round, they can, with the aid of their Home Missionary Society, have a deaconess in their service a part of the year, which, with the active co-operation of the pastor, will bring his people closer together in bonds of Christian love and fellowship, causing the people to become more interested in the Church, more in sympathy with its doings, and to contribute more to the strength of the Church spiritually as well as financially. (Taken from the report of the Conference Board of Nine.)

Brooklyn Deaconess Home.

238 President Street, Brooklyn, New York.

(Reported by Mrs. J. O. PECK.)

In reviewing the work of the year, with its steady growth and increasing interest, under our efficient Board and superintendent, with the earnest labors of our deaconesses, we feel that God has blessed the workers and our Home. The family, including the assistant superintendent, numbers fourteen. All of our deaconesses are doing parish work, in most cases in struggling Churches. They have been enabled by interested friends to take a large number of their parish poor on day's outings, thus giving tired mothers a day of rest and pleasure.

Our deaconesses are given a month vacation. They well deserve a genuine rest; yet in nearly every case they find opportunity to carry on their blessed work. The young people of the Church and the Junior Leagues are showing an increased interest by coming in little bands to spend an afternoon or evening, bringing always some token of love for the Home.

The Deaconess Herald, a little paper, published monthly in the interests of the Home, while yet in its infancy, is helping to create interest in the work of the Home.

The supply closets are replenished by an Annual Donation Party, held in November, at the Home.

Statistics fail to represent the earnest spiritual work done in His Name and for His sake.

Buffalo Deaconess Home.

2978 Main Street, Buffalo, New York.

Miss E. A. SMITH, Superintendent.

The past year has been marked by an increase of financial support of, and interest in, the Home throughout the Conference. Twelve deaconesses have been connected with the Home. Two have been in the National Training-school, one is pursuing deaconess work in Africa, and another has been unable, by reason of ill-health, to continue in the work. One of the nurse-deaconesses was loaned to the Wichita Home for two months, to take charge of the Hospital.

Although the force has been smaller than that of the previous year, the various lines of work have been faithfully carried on. Pastors throughout the Conference have been assisted, and missionary organizations and Epworth Leagues addressed. The various branches of the

Cheerful Home Settlement are doing excellent work. The kitchen-garden has been of great benefit, and the Boys' Clubs are laying the foundations for good citizenship.

The severe winter kept the nurse-deaconesses busy. The kindergarten is located in a section containing a large foreign population, and has a broad field. The work of the "Travelers' Aid" is of inestimable value, especially as a protection to young and inexperienced women and girls entering the city for the first time. *The Buffalo Deaconess* has proved invaluable as a means of disseminating information in regard to the work. It has a circulation of fifteen hundred copies, and has just closed its fourth year. We desire to make special mention of the supplies contributed, valued at more than two thousand dollars.

We hope that, with God's blessing, the new year will be the most successful we have ever known.

Caroline Rest Cottage.

Round Lake, New York.

Round Lake, New York, is one of the historic camp-grounds of Methodism. Although not the meeting place for such historic assemblies as took place during the seventies, it continues to be a center of great influence, and a regular program of meetings and assemblies is carried out here each year.

It is a convenient place for a summer home for missionaries and deaconesses. A small, furnished cottage has been presented to the Troy Conference, for the purpose of making it a summer Rest Home for deaconesses and missionaries. It is to be called The Caroline Cottage, in memory of Mrs. Caroline J. Bancroft, whose husband, Rev. George C. Bancroft, was long a member of the Troy Conference. Though but a small building in comparison with the other Rest Homes, it is hoped that this cottage will be, as is the Home at Ocean Grove, a pleasant resting place for those who have done good service for God and humanity.

Cleveland Deaconess Home.

268 Woodland Avenue.

(Reported by Miss E. A. MCILMOYL, Superintendent.)

Steady progress has been made in all departments of our work during the past year. Four of our workers go to the National Training-school this year. We shall miss them greatly, especially our trained nurse, who goes to complete her Bible study.

The five departments of work under the management of the Home are as follows:

1. *The Evangelistic Work of the St. Clair Street Mission.* Every Sunday a sermon is preached, and an Epworth League and Sunday-school conducted. There is a growing interest in these services; character-building is the keynote of the teaching there given.

2. *House-to-House Visitation.* Each year impresses us more and more with the importance of this work. The close personal contact in the Home is very helpful in the process of soul-growth.

3. *Industrial.* This department has taken on larger proportions, and is more thoroughly and systematically organized. The Children's Sewing-school is a credit to the deaconesses who have it in charge. At the Mothers' Meetings lessons are given in plain sewing, hygiene, and the proper care of home and children. Most of the mothers are foreigners, and the importance of this training can readily be seen.

4. *Nursing.* This department has been taxed to its utmost, and it is impossible to care for more than half the appeals for help.

5. The Travelers' Aid. This work is firmly established, and is not only meeting with favor from the traveling public, but is heartily appreciated by the railroad officials as well.

Excellent service has been rendered by our deaconesses, and results are very encouraging to all lovers of God's children who need aid.

The Colorado Deaconess Home.

1041 South Fourteenth Street, Denver Colorado.

Miss MELISSA BRIGGS, Superintendent.

(Reported by Miss TOMPKINS, Secretary of the Board.)

The deaconess work of Colorado in connection with the Woman's Home Missionary Society, opened October 9, 1897, when Miss Melissa Briggs entered on her duties as a visiting deaconess. Colorado Methodism took a lively interest in the work, and early in 1898 the Conference Board of Deaconesses indorsed the movement. Trinity Church subscribed twenty dollars per month, and our loyal friend, Mr. H. S. Taggart, supported a deaconess.

In February, 1898, Articles of Incorporation were drawn up, and a house was rented, with our first three deaconesses, Miss Briggs, Miss Rich, and Miss James, as inmates. Later Miss Ward and Miss Deaton, our nurse deaconess, came to us, joined later by Miss Rotis, a most efficient worker at the Eighth Street Mission. Still later Miss Spaulding was with us for a time as our field deaconess. Miss Halstead joined us in August, 1899.

Our deaconesses are beloved and honored for their work. One friend from Cañon City, after giving one hundred dollars, takes from his monthly salary ten dollars for helping the poor and needy.

The Board of Management are consecrated women, while our General Manager is the Invisible.

(The valuable idea contributed by the Colorado Home to our work, is their plan of appointing Deaconess Secretaries in every Auxiliary and district throughout the Conference.—J. B. R.)

Columbus Deaconess Home.

1087 Dennison Avenue, Columbus, Ohio.

(Reported by Mrs. D. S. KELLICOTT, Conference President.)

The deaconess work in Columbus is yet too young to make a report of work accomplished. Organizing the work on a permanent basis and locating it in a suitable Home have occupied us since September.

We are now very comfortably and pleasantly located on the first floor of 1087 Dennison Avenue, in the building formerly occupied by the Protestant Hospital, the trustees of the Hospital having generously offered this to the Deaconess Home free of rental. The Home has been fitted up by the Methodist Churches of the city, which have generally and generously responded to the needs. The system of Saturday baskets has been adopted, and is working successfully.

We have at present two deaconesses and a housekeeper. One deaconess, Miss Wetherbee, is a kindergartner, and has opened a well-equipped free kindergarten on Front Street, and is doing a good work in a much neglected district. The other, Miss Bonner, is a visiting deaconess, and labors in connection with the pastors of different Churches. Good results of their labors are already seen, and the work and workers are well received by pastors and people.

Cunningham Deaconess Home and Orphanage.

Urbana, Illinois.

(Reported by Mrs. B. S. POTTER, President of the Board.)

Cunningham Deaconess Home and Orphanage brings greetings from greatly-enlarged and more commodious quarters.

A finely lighted and sunny playroom for the children, a large dormitory and beautiful new dining-room are among the improvements. The former cozy dining-room, with its bay-window filled with potted plants, will be for the use of our deaconesses and guests. The entire house will be heated by steam, instead of dry furnace heat as before.

Fifty children can now be comfortably cared for. Thirty children have been in the Home during the year, the greatest number at any one time being twenty-five. Ingenuity has been many times taxed to receive "just one more." Often appeals have been very touching. Two children have been legally adopted into excellent homes. Others are out on trial. Others comely and clever are waiting for some friendly door to "backward swing" for them.

Our sweet singing deaconess-at-large, Miss Durham, was invited to sing and speak before the lay delegates at our Annual Conference. As a result, over three hundred dollars was given and pledged for a kindergarten building.

Our resident deaconesses, Miss Reeves, kindergartner, and Miss Beal, matron, are filling their places in the Home with devotion. For nearly a year Miss Reeves filled the responsible position of Superintendent with much efficiency. Miss Crawford and Mrs. Clark, who have been with us as Conference deaconesses, have gone to other fields. They have won friends for themselves and their cause, and the Conferences securing their services are fortunate. Miss Sanders has entered upon her work as Conference deaconess with a promise of great usefulness. Our great need is more Conference deaconesses.

The management of Cunningham Deaconess Home and Orphanage is truly grateful that no part of the bequest of last year has been used for current expenses. We close the year without a penny of debt, and a balance in the treasury.

The Hannah Johnson Cottage for boys, a Hospital, and an "Endowment Fund" are our aspirations for the near future.

Detroit Deaconess Home.

53 Elizabeth Street, West.

Miss SARA J. GAUNT, Superintendent.

Tillman Avenue Mission.

Mrs. H. E. KELLER.

We desire to record our gratitude to God, and to express to the Board our heartfelt appreciation of their unfailing kindness and consideration for our comfort. We would also make grateful mention of the helpful teaching of the Bible-class by Miss Preston, and of the fine lectures given us by pastors and others, and which have tended to enrich our intellectual and spiritual life.

In response to the cordial invitations of brethren in the Conference, we have presented our cause to many congregations in the Conference. We are indebted to the Epworth Leagues for assistance in the monthly meetings held at the County House for the Poor.

We would not forget our friends in city, town, and country, who so generously supplied our table and filled our "Poor Closet" with choice fruit, jelly, and vegetables.

When the Spartan youth complained to his mother that his sword was too short, she replied that he must add a step to it. Some one has very aptly called the deaconess "an added step to the Church in the direction of the sinner." "Stay and grow," said Washington in his Farewell Address. "Go and grow" is Christ's teaching. With our Master's command for our watchword, and your sympathy and prayerful co-operation in our new plans of work, we look hopefully toward the future.

Elizabeth Wellington Griffin Deaconess Home.

70 Broadway, Rensselaer, New York.

Miss DOROTHY GRAHAM, Superintendent.

This Home came into the possession of the Woman's Home Missionary Society at the death of Mrs. Griffin, February 10, 1899, by deed; also $1,000 by will for repairs. It is situated across the Hudson River from Albany, New York. Within a radius of ten miles are five cities and two villages. It contains twelve rooms with modern conveniences, and is admirably adapted to the various lines of deaconess work. It has been repaired under the direction of Miss Graham and the "House Committee," and is in very good shape. Seven rooms have been named and furnished by Auxiliaries and friends, and, November 15th, Miss Graham and two deaconesses will enter upon their duties. We hope to have it dedicated early in December.

Indianapolis Deaconess Home and Hospital.

419 East Vermont Street, Indianapolis, Indiana.

Miss C. K. SCHWARTZ, Superintendent.

In the fall of 1898 initial steps were taken toward establishing a Deaconess Hospital and Home in the city of Indianapolis, to be the work of the three Conferences. Plans have matured, and Articles of Incorporation have been adopted by all of the Indiana Conferences. Practical work was begun by Miss C. K. Schwartz in October, 1898. In August of 1899 she was joined by Miss Middleton, a graduate of DePauw and also of the Washington Training-school, and later by Miss Plummer, a nurse deaconess. The City Union of the Epworth League has pledged its indorsement and co-operation by supporting two deaconesses, a visiting and a nurse deaconess, to work under its direction in the Mercy and Help Department. A temporary Home has been opened.

Later the Board of Directors of the Methodist Episcopal Hospital and Home purchased a half square of land at Illinois and Twenty-ninth Streets as a site for the institution. With the active direction and assistance of Rev. Dr. Lasby, Rev. Dr. Rawls, the faithful women of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, and the ministers and active laymen of the three Conferences, we predict a large future for this new work in Indianapolis.

Knoxville.

Miss RHODA E. SIGLER.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society and the work of the deaconess of First Methodist Episcopal Church, Knoxville, Tenn., is still moving onward, with the blessings of our Heavenly Father resting upon us. The year has been one of manifest prosperity in all lines of work. We are glad we have entered the "Promised Land," and taken possession of a small portion of it, though single-handed, in this great city. Never did our Savior's words, "The harvest is great, but the laborers are few,"

come to us, as a Woman's Home Missionary Society, with more intense meaning than to-day.

There has been seed-sowing and reaping in our city of fifty thousand inhabitants; but when we compare what is actually being done to-day with to-day's possibilities, and what has been done formerly with the possibilities of that special time, we are ready to heed the Master's injunction, and "pray the Lord of the harvest to thrust out more laborers into His harvest." We are glad our interests are in the hands of Him who takes cognizance not alone of what we do, but what we would love to do. What we have done in our sphere of work has been done "as unto the Lord, with joy in our hearts."

Mt. Carmel, Pennsylvania.

Miss ELIZABETH LARRISH.

We regret that no definite report of the year's work at Mt. Carmel has been sent to us; but from the statistics we have received, and the quarterly report, we are sure that Miss Larrish is continuing her excellent service, and is meeting with acceptance, both among the ladies of her Board and those among whom she ministers. This mountain region of Pennsylvania deserves far more attention than it receives from lovers of Home Missionary work in our own land, and we trust that this institution will in time develop into a great mission, whose influence will be felt especially among the children of the large foreign population of workers.

Newark Conference Homes.

Jersey City: 201 Montgomery Street. Newark: 58 Spruce Street.

Under the Woman's Home Missionary Society deaconess work has grown during the past year, and we have now a Home at 201 Montgomery Street, Jersey City; a Mission in Steuben Street; a Mission in Vesey Street, Newark; and a house has just been rented at 58 Spruce Street, Newark, for a Deaconess Home. A matron, three deaconesses, and a trained nurse are employed, and two others expected. Miss J. Corbin, since January, has been Superintendent of the Home in Jersey City, and has also assisted in the missions, besides speaking in many Churches in the Conference in the interest of the work being carried on in our cities. She leaves our Conference this fall on account of her health.

Miss Ida Lewis and Mrs. Minnie Cole are doing effective work in the Churches, where they have been engaged for the year. Miss Clemson is carrying on a kindergarten among a foreign population who live near the Steuben Street Mission, "in a field as needy as any in South America," said one of the deaconesses who was once a missionary there. The Epworth Leagues of the city are much interested, and assist in this mission.

During the summer Miss Hockersmith, from the National Training-school at Washington, won the hearts of the people near the Vesey Street Mission, and gained the children, little and big, for our afternoon and evening classes. On her return to Washington to finish her training, Miss Spratt, a Wesleyan deaconess from England, took charge of this work, and has started Mothers' Meetings and Sunday classes.

Miss Alward is doing parish work for a city Church.

The formation of a Deaconess Bureau, on which there are to be representatives from all the Methodist Episcopal Churches in the Conference, has increased the interest in this line of missionary work, and under the energetic management of its President, Mrs. T. P. Frost, this Bureau

has accomplished much in the past few months, and is planning for the future development of deaconess activities.

The amount of over $1,510, from Auxiliaries, Churches, Epworth Leagues, and other societies, also personal subscription which passed through our Conference Treasurer's hands, does not include the $162 in cash and $142 in supplies for the table, nor the $500 in furnishings. Over $2,300 has been expended in this, our second year of deaconess work.

We give praise to Thee, for "Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honor and power; for Thou hast created all things, and for Thy pleasure they are and were created."

The Philadelphia Deaconess Home.

611 Vine Street.

(Reported by Mrs. C. W. BICKLEY.)

Our deaconess work is demonstrating more and more the wisdom of establishing Deaconess Homes as the center of our Woman's Home Missionary work in our large cities. The value of the services of our deaconesses is becoming far and widely appreciated. All benevolent societies and city officials show great willingness to co-operate with them in relieving distress of many and varied forms. Policemen on the street refer cases to "The White-stringed Messenger" as she passes, and even the little children bring cases of distress to the door of our Home, as to a haven of refuge.

One of the agents of our City Missionaries and Church Extension Society has called upon our workers for aid so often, that he has said he would not know what to do without them.

We have increased our corps of workers from eight to thirteen. One nurse deaconess has rendered very valuable aid, and all have been making visits numbering nearly ten thousand, that must have been as angels' visits, bringing, as they did, light and warmth and joy and sunshine to thousands of hearts.

We find our work at the Italian Mission has to deal with darkened prejudice and misrepresentation and bitter persecution to those who espouse the cause of Christ and become Protestants. Alas! that this is true in the heart of a Christian Protestant city like our own.

Our cooking and sewing classes have been well sustained in our Annex, and the exhibition of the work performed by the children at the close of the season was very highly gratifying. The immigrant work is carried on in connection with the Home. Fourteen steamers have been met by our deaconess.

Our deaconesses serve pastors and Churches and missions throughout the city; some go out as evangelists. Our Home is truly a beacon-light, a city set upon a hill; it gives light and joy to all who come within its walls, and sends light and joy to hearts which otherwise would pine in wretchedness and sorrow. The best of all is, God is with us.

Pittsburg Deaconess Home.

2000 Fifth Avenue.

Miss S. E. EYLER, Acting Superintendent.

Our ten workers are constantly busy. Each worker has had her usual month's vacation during the summer. Our efficient housekeeper, not a deaconess, has relieved our workers from any responsibilty for domestic affairs.

Several months ago a Medical Mission was started in connection with Grace Chapel, our colored mission at Soho. Talks to mothers have been given several times by a well-known lady physician and her associate, and a number of poor people have been treated gratis.

Travelers' Aid work has been carried on at Union Station, and many desolate travelers, old people, invalids, and helpless children have been assisted and sent on their way rejoicing.

Many calls for nursing could not be met, because of lack of enough trained workers for this branch of service. One of our deaconesses who took training at West Pennsylavnia Hospital, went to Cuba during the Spanish War, and rendered good service in a hospital in Havana. She is now back at the Home, busily engaged with her duties.

One of our deaconesses accompanied fourteen poor children and mothers during a two weeks' stay in the country. Expenses were provided for by certain Epworth Leagues.

The mortgage on the Home has been paid off during this year, and the house is now owned by the Woman's Home Missionary Society, free of incumbrance. Before the annual reception day it was much improved by fresh paper on several rooms, the gift of interested friends.

Our deaconesses have had more than usual to spend in special charity work, owing to the generous gift of one hundred dollars from a gentleman of Christ Church.

Our income is principally derived from a "Benefactor's Pledge" of ten dollars, which is paid annually at a fixed time. If we only had more of these pledges we would have less anxiety over our finances, and be assured of our running expenses. When the work is sufficiently understood, it is always appreciated. The Pittsburg Home is well directed by the pastors and friends who have charge of its interests.

Salt Lake City and Provo.

Davis Deaconess Home.

41 East Third South Street.

Mrs. M. E. SPENCE, Superintendent.

REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE DEACONESS BOARD OF NINE.

During the year four deaconesses have been employed in Salt Lake City, and one in Provo. Miss Potter, however, commenced her work in August, 1898, and closed it in February, 1899, thus leaving for the remainder of the year only three deaconesses in the Home. By the excellent executive ability of Mrs. M. E. Spence, the Superintendent of the Home, and by the gifts of friends and the general interest in the Home, no debt has been incurred, neither has any money been received from the Woman's Home Missionary Society for the incidental expenses of the Home. Besides doing the work of a Superintendent of the Home, Mrs. Spence has given much time to actual deaconess work in the visitation of families and relief of the needy. She has charge of the regular spiritual work at the jail every Wednesday, and is, with her workers, accomplishing much good in this department of work. Besides this, Mrs. Spence also teaches in the Chinese Sunday-school, which meets in the basement of the Home, and in the night school, meeting every evening in the week. Each of the deaconesses teaches one night in the week. In the work of teaching this school several Christian ladies of the city give their services.

Mrs. Hansen has been working in connection with the First Scandi-

navian Church of Salt Lake City. She has done excellent service, showing herself a consecrated worker in the Scandinavian field.

Miss Albertina Koltenberg has been working in Heath Church during the year. In this field she has shown herself a faithful servant of the Master.

Miss Jennie Potter has been doing the pastoral work of Liberty Park Church a part of the year. Her devotion to this work has been very marked, and results very gratifying.

Mrs. Helen Kingsbury has been assigned to Provo for the past three years, where she has been doing a very efficient work for the Master.

Miss Neighbor has recently come to us from the Deaconess School in San Francisco, and has not yet been assigned to work.

In view of all the good that has been accomplished by the deaconesses of Utah, sent to this field by the Woman's Home Missionary Society, be it

Resolved, That this Mission expresses its high appreciation of the work done by these faithful women of God, who go about seeking the sinner, helping the helpless, and comforting the distressed.

J. W. TAYLOR, *Secretary*.

San Francisco Deaconess Home,

Bible and Training-School.

(Reported by Mrs. LAURA J. SIMS, President of Deaconess Bureau.)

We are happy to report another successful year's work in the San Francisco Deaconess Home and Training-school. Under the management of Mrs. Carver, the Superintendent, the home life has been pleasant and profitable, and well conducted. Under the supervising care of Dr. J. N. Beard, dean of the Training-school, and Mrs. Francis S. Spring, the resident teacher, the school has been very prosperous.

Fourteen students have been in attendance during the year, six of whom were graduated in June. Seven are expected to return for the second year.

Of our graduates this year, two have been sent to Southern California, one to Salt Lake City, and one to the Fred Finch Orphanage, a Methodist institution, leaving only two additional for our work here, making the number of deaconesses working under our Bureau six.

As our school takes in the entire Pacific Coast, very much of which is missionary field, and we are furnishing deaconesses for all that territory, as well as for Salt Lake and Denver, and as the support has come heretofore entirely from a few Churches and Auxiliaries in the California Conference, we have come to a position where we need substantial aid from the Woman's Home Missionary Society, as most of the students who enter the school have to be provided with scholarships.

We have been in our new quarters only one year, and though they are very much larger than those previously occupied, they have been full to overflowing during the whole year. Generous friends came to our aid in comfortably furnishing the Home, so that very little money was taken from our treasury for that purpose. These gifts included a fine new upright piano.

The two sewing-schools, the Mothers' Club, held at Howard Street Church, and the admirable work in the Chinese quarter, where Miss Lake has now the aid of another deaconess, have all been continued.

Sioux City Deaconess Home.

Sioux City, Iowa.

Miss ELIZABETH HUMPHREY, Superintendent.

Preliminary steps toward founding a Deaconess Home in Sioux City, Iowa, were taken the summer and fall of 1899. Miss Elizabeth Humphrey, the capable Superintendent of the Des Moines Home, went to this new field, and is devoting herself with great energy and efficiency to laying the foundations of this work.

The President of the Board, Rev. Dr. J. B. Trimble, and the members of the Board, are planning largely and wisely for the future. We trust by another year to have definite and encouraging news to present from this new institution.

Southern California Deaconess Home.

180 Hewitt Street, Los Angeles, California.

Miss CLARA V. POTTER, Superintendent.

The work at Los Angeles has taken on larger and more prominent proportions during the last year. A year ago we reported that a lot had been given the Board of Management. During this year a new Home has been built upon this ground, and was opened July 10, 1899. The same beloved benefactor, who desires to remain unnamed, but whose deeds keep her largely before our minds, has aided much in the furnishing of the Home.

Miss C. V. Potter, who had been in deaconess service in Utah, was elected Superintendent of the Home in April. She entered upon her duties with zeal and earnestness, and without stint or reservation has devoted herself to advancing its interests, both within the Home and among the people to whom it ministers. A number of changes have occurred among the workers. Miss Haeberlin having gone to Sacramento, her place has been taken by Miss Buren, a recent graduate of the San Francisco Training-school. Miss Halstedt has removed to the Denver Deaconess Home, and Miss Wilber, a late graduate of the Washington Training-school, has joined the members. Miss Carrie Phillips, who last year served as deaconess at San Diego, is this year taking advanced studies in the National Training-school at Washington. Miss Bisbee, formerly at First Church, Pasadena, is now in the Home at Los Angeles, busily engaged in service. Miss Spaulding, the field deaconess, spent some time in the fall of 1899 practically aiding the Home, both in procuring money to reduce the debt, which is now nearly extinguished, and in increasing the interest in the work, both among pastors and people by her excellent spiritual addresses.

We trust that a period of great prosperity has been entered upon for this enlarged and beautiful Home.

Southwest Kansas Conference Deaconess Home.

457 North St. Francis Avenue, Wichita, Kansas.

Our year has been marked by harmony in councils and prosperity in works. The Woman's Home Missionary Society of this Conference had been contemplating for five years the establishing of a Deaconess Home in Wichita; but, owing to pressure of finances, deferred such action until

February, 1898, when the first measures were taken toward opening a Deaconess Home in Wichita.

The work was practically opened in September, 1898, by two deaconesses in two rented rooms. Soon it was determined to secure a permanent Home, and by co-operation of pastors and people we were enabled to purchase a plot of ground 140 feet square, with a seven-roomed house, a barn, several large apple-trees, and city water on the place, all for $2,000. Half the purchase price has been paid, and we hope to pay the remainder before it is due. Since securing this property quite a little has been spent in repairs, and the Home is nearly furnished. There are now three deaconesses in the Home, and a very devoted Christian woman has been secured for housekeeper and matron. The pastors are becoming interested, and the outlook is bright for the success of this work. The Board of Managers have opened one Mission Kindergarten, and hope to open another soon. They expect to take up other departments of deaconess work as soon as the money can be secured for carrying them on successfully. All the expenses have been met when due, and not a dollar of debt has been incurred, save the last payment on the property, which we hope to meet in time to dedicate it free of debt, at the session of our Annual Conference in March, at which time we beileve God will add another and greater blessing than at any time previous. We have also received a gift of property worth some hundreds of dollars.

To Him we return heartfelt thanks for His gracious presence and blessings during the past year.

The Thompson Rest Home.

Mountain Lake Park, Maryland.

(Reported by Mrs. S. W. DAVIS.)

For a number of years, through the influence of Miss Durham and others, there has been a desire to have a Rest Home for Missionaries and Deaconesses at this mountain camp-ground. In July, 1899, after careful and prayerful consideration, it was decided to purchase the property of Father Thomspon, and call it "The John Thompson Rest Home for Deaconesses and Missionaries," welcoming to it the workers of both the Home and Foreign Societies. A Constitution was adopted, and a Board of Managers elected, representing the Conferences more immediately interested in this beautiful camp-ground.

The property consists of a nine-roomed house, partly furnished, with three full lots. Money was borrowed to complete the purchase of the house, which it is hoped the friends of the cause will soon replace by their generous gifts. The Home will be ready for occupancy June 1, 1900. The Home is hallowed by the memory of the good man who dwelt there, and it is well fitted as a Home for the godly workers of the Church. May the blessed Holy Spirit abide in the Rest Home, and be with every guest who shall enter therein!

Wilmington

The active deaconess work at Wilmington has not yet been reopened; but some hundreds of dollars worth of material is in storage, waiting for development of the work at some future time.

Annual Report to October 1, 1899.

ITEMIZED SUMMARY.	Value of Property	Incumbrance	Number of Deaconesses and Probationers	Number of Visits made.	Number of Visits to Hospitals, Jails, Etc.	Opportunities for Bible Reading and Prayer.	Meetings Held or Assisted in	Hours Spent in Kindergarten	Hours Spent in Industrial School.	Hours Spent in Nursing	Bibles, Testaments, and Tracts given away.	Cash Expended for Poor	Garments Given Away.	Pastors and Churches Aided.	Yearly Expenses.
Aldrich Memorial	$15,600 00		14	6,189	240	980	298	158	555	1148	1,820	$115 40	1505	5	
Baltimore	14,000 00		10	7,757	177	2211	526	2021	442	4155	16,423	449 49	2504	9	
Mt. Tabor Industrial Building	15,000 00														
Bancroft Rest Home	10,338 00														
Bethany Hospital and Training-school	20,000 00		18												
Fisk Training-school			6		Op	ene	d O	cto	ber,	1899					
Bidwell	5,000 00	$800	5	5,541	21	1031	151		343	413	4,057		1127		
Brooklyn	0 000 00		14	15,500	224		1892			4,512	2,779	222 00	7014	15	
Buffalo	14,500 00	3,000	11	1,463	119	472	351	186	213	2,441	3,626	65 00	4630	18	
Caroline Rest Home	500 00														
Cleveland	11,200 00		15	10,304	143	859	945		403	4,365	18,192	122 15	7466	5	
Colorado Conference Deaconess Home	350 00		5	4,497	30	1397	267	10	96	1,571	3,103	192 45	630	17	
Columbus			3												
Cunningham Deaconess Home and Orphanage	23,446 00		3	1,065		263	241	299	100	18				14	
Davis	18,000 00		4	2,212	127	418	274	150	32	183	2,730	99 05	252	3	
Detroit Home	10,800 00	5,000	8	6,254	172	840	418			2,406	6,672	163 95	4443	7	
Tillman Avenue Mission	2,300 00		1												
Griffin	4,725 00				Op	ene	d O	cto	ber,	1899.					
Indianapolis	3,700 00		3	1,631		203	150		26	286	5,536	9 46	27	11	
Knoxville	200 00		1	1,313		242	105				2,256	99 95	275		
Los Angeles	4,000 00	300	6	4,010	37	211	128	36	128	291	676	67 30	836	17	
Mt. Carmel			1	766	245	194	282	45	53	78	1,050	109 64	197		
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Newark Conf. Home, Newark															
Philadelphia	25,761 57		13	9,509	399		432		449	687	4,784	233 02	2405	78	$4,184 25
Pittsburg	13,500 00		8	8,490	179	975	360		371	3,903	5,645	120 00	864	9	
Provo	2,500 00		1	484	6	88	125		54	534	510	9 55		1	
San Francisco	1,500 00		11	7,104	302	617	150		560	350	625	158 75	300	12	
Sioux City			1	Work	be	gun	Aut	um	n,	1899.					
Thompson Rest Home	2,580 00	Re	cei	ved	tly	ac	quir	ed.							
Washington	56,550 00		66	5,476	488	746	234		7720	17,961	1,451	269 85	526	15	
Sibley Hospital and Training-school	17,000 00		5												
Wichita	3,500 00	1,000	4	2,105	75	12	325	314	20	10	25		100	7	
Wilmington															

"Except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it."

With a grateful heart for His guiding care, this report is submitted.

JANE BANCROFT ROBINSON, *Secretary.*

BUREAU FOR ORIENTALS.

UPON our shores there are many, many people who have never heard of the Christ. More than thirty years ago a few Christians began to patrol the city of San Francisco in search of the lost. Schools for both sexes were established, and two Rescue Homes for women and girls; one, the first, under the Presbyterian Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and now one under our Woman's Home Missionary Society.

The Methodist Missions for Chinese people were begun in 1868. Since then about one thousand have been redeemed with the precious blood of Christ. In our mission for women there have been 428 rescued, valued by their owners at over $1,000,000; thirty Methodist families; one hundred children, offspring of girls in our mission, who have married Christians, and set up altars for the worship of the true God. If the Chinese had settled in California as other foreigners do, we should have to-day one of the largest Churches in San Francisco. Nearly one hundred commune every Communion Sabbath, one-third of whom are women. Twenty-five years hence there will be at least 2,500 Chinese entitled to vote, besides those already citizens. Our law-making bodies may try to defraud them of their rights, and discriminate in favor of the Caucasian child. It becomes the sacred duty of the Church to provide for at least their moral education. A heathen voter in America is a monstrosity.

At our Mission House we have had during this year fifty different women, ten of whom were sent for a few weeks on their way back from the Omaha Exposition. By arrangement with the Government these were all to go back to China at the close of the Exposition; but by some chicanery known only to bad Chinese men, and still worse white men, only one of forty-five women ever went back to China. They were lost in transit!

During the thirty years of work the number of conversions seems small. Why? These foreigners have never been treated like other people from other lands. In 1879 the law-makers of our Golden State made ample provisions in a new Constitution, then adopted, that Mongolians should never vote—classing Chinese, idiots, insane people, and women in the same category! As the Fifteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States does not abridge the right of citizens to vote on account of race or color, California legislators guarded against a possible change in the naturalization laws, by providing that "no native of China shall ever enjoy the elective franchise." It also provided that no corporation existing, or henceforth formed under the laws of the State, shall in any capacity employ Chinese or Mongolians! The Legislature also provided separate schools for Mongolian children, and declared that such children should not be admitted to other schools. The schools might or might not be miles away from the home of a child, yet the law must be enforced. This law is very hard upon girls, because they are always in danger of being kidnaped going to and from school, especially if one of them has ever been a slave girl; so that the lack of public-school facilities made it imperative upon societies to establish mission schools, where religious as well as secular teaching could be obtained. There are exceptions to the rule of excluding Mongolian children from the public schools, as in nearly all of the schools in San Francisco there are a few Chinese girls and boys, and more than a few Japanese of both sexes.

More than a quarter of a century ago the metropolitan city of San Francisco invited the natives of the Flowery Kingdom to take part in a procession at the completion of the Pacific Railroad, which these "hewers of wood and drawers of water" had been employed to aid in constructing. In this year of our Lord 1899 they were again asked to take part in a

parade upon our Nation's birthday, and spectacularly they were the most magnificent body that passed in review. The glory of rich trappings, the revelations of color, forced expressions of admiration from all along the route. These people had been invited, and they had a mind to work, and that was all the magic there was in it; and yet the result was as wonderful as if all the genii of all the Arabian tales had been chosen for the task. The spectacle dazed the San Francisco hoodlum. Every other part of that procession paled into insignificance compared with the pageant of the China of San Francisco.

When subscriptions were called for upon the return of the California soldiers from Manila, the Chinese gave over six thousand dollars, or more than one-tenth of all needed. This is but the beginning of what may be expected when there are large numbers of these "native sons of the Golden State." There are now about two thousand of these boys. It should be the duty of Christian people to start schools for these and such as shall come hereafter—schools, where the air shall be distinctively Christian,—training boys to become good citizens of this the grandest country on the globe.

This year, in our schools, English is taught in the morning, and Chinese in the afternoon. We have had thirty pupils; one-half boys. Along with the secular work of the school they have the gospel. We expect to enter some of the homes through the children. Our missionary goes in and out, not only of the wretched abodes, dark and filthy, where these mothers and children live, but visits are made to the wives of merchants and their children. Access to such is not easy. They seldom are seen in public. Many of them are dwarfed in soul, as well as in body.

At our Mission Sunday-school, established by our deaconess missionary, Miss Lake, a few Sabbaths ago, I was able to pick out the one little girl who had bound feet; her pinched face and distressed look told all too plainly of her sufferings.

We took two of the girls from the Home to our Conference Anniversary last month, one a lame girl, who handles her crutch so deftly you forget she has one. She is the beneficiary of the Baltimore Conference Woman's Home Missionary Society. When found in 1894, she was a door-keeper in the house of her master; and the policeman who assisted at the rescue was beaten over his head by her vigorous handling of her crutch. She did n't want to leave that vile place; for had n't she been told that the Gibson Home was opened to entrap girls, to make them work hard, and get no food? But, obliged to go with her rescuers, she did it, and to-day, behold her intellectual face and her sweet voice in song! The other girl whom we took was treated cruelly by her mistress, as her face and body testified by wounds and scars. She found a friendly policeman, who directed her to our open doors. Soon after she came in, ragged and forlorn, we were sewing for her; and in the midst of it she told the interpreter in Chinese that she did n't want to put on the English garments, and as she said it, large tears ran down her rough, brown cheeks, and we half wondered if she was worth the cost of saving. Behold Ah Gum and Yohe Ying as they sing before that throng of one thousand people, "Why I love Jesus?"—one singing soprano, and the other contralto! Everybody listens. Some in the audience press their handkerchiefs to their eyes,—they thought it paid to rescue such!

Our work is not without its results, even here in America; but for permanent results we must go to China and Japan. These Orientals are returning every year by twenties and thirties, taking the gospel to their homes, parents, wife, families, and kinsmen. The increasing

number of churches erected by these returned emigrants in their native towns and villages, and the decadence of idolatry, as acknowledged by Chinese unbelievers, attest the reflex action of the work upon the Pacific coast upon the broader mission-fields beyond the seas. Nearly every mail brings us news of missionary work done by Chinese and Japanese converts, who, though lost to our work here, are of untold value in teaching their friends in their native land.

For several years there has been a fishermen's town near Pacific Grove, an ideal Methodist retreat. The men and women were as low down in civilization as heathen ever get, probably; but the Woman's Home Missionary Society began to agitate the question of the non-attending school children, and, getting the consent of the School Board, they were induced to go. But the Caucasian children and parents determined not to allow it, and the children (yellow-faced ones) stopped going; but Christian women were aroused, and they determined that these native sons and daughters should be civilized; and the task has been undertaken with, so far, good results. A hall intended for a gambling-place has been purchased. A woman is teaching the children, and the outlook is not discouraging.

Chinese Work in Southern California.

Reported by MRS. T. F. DAVIS.

"HE that winneth souls is wise," is the text which comes to us as we sit down to tell a little about the work among the Chinese women and girls in Los Angeles. Results, as some would count results, are meager, but we know that we are a little nearer the hearts of the women than we were a year ago.

Letters have been received from the two women who went to China last year, just a few months after their conversion, asking us to request the missionaries in Canton to visit them, and thanking us for telling them of a Savior's love.

The husband of one of these women wishes to unite with a Church. This is exceedingly encouraging; for we well remember, when we first visited this home, how very much he opposed the Christian religion, and scolded his wife for receiving Christian teachers. After his niece, who lived in the same house with them, could read to him from Christian books which she had studied, he greatly changed. We found him several times reading the books himself, and very soon after he gave up opium-smoking, although he had used it for years. Three other families have left during the year. One returned to China, one went to Oregon, and the other has gone into the country.

The prayer-meeting started the first of the year in Chinatown has been very encouraging. Out of eight women who reside on that street, six or seven attend the meeting, and sometimes we have had the eighth, who has been a slave to opium for eleven years. Some of them are learning to read the characters for themselves, and all are able to follow me as we read the lesson.

Another prayer-meeting has recently been started in the home of one of our Christians, and we hope to get some of the heathen women to attend. Mrs. Lau Yui, our Bible-woman, still does house-to-house visitation five days a week. She teaches eight girls and two women, and talks to the others as she has an opportunity. If these eight girls and two women could be taught together, it would save much time; but Chinese custom forbids this, and we must go from house to house, and spend an hour, and sometimes longer, with one little girl. One of the girls, only six years old, can read in her own language two

Christian books; the Ten Commandments, the Twenty-third Psalm, and a number of hymns. The mother listens with considerable pride to her daughter. All the parents seem to be very thankful for having their girls taught in their homes. We are so thankful for the love these mothers have for their little girls. How we long for more of that wisdom that wins souls to Jesus! O that God would send his Spirit with converting power right down in Chinatown!

Japanese Work.

THE Japanese Home is still maintained, our Bureau supporting a missionary at deaconess's salary, and renting a house where girls and women out of work may go to rest, and be free from temptations that assail them. Often brought here, like their Chinese sisters, under false pretenses, they need our sympathy and prayers and financial help. Every hour in the day some one rings the bell, and the missionary is called upon to counsel and help in many directions. The little brown men and women are anxious to be humanized, Christianized, and become a part of us. Shall we give them our best endeavor? In the Japanese Women's Home there have been sixty-four different women and girls this year. Some of these were returning to Japan from Eastern States, some were on their way to the East, but most of them are now in San Francisco. Six of them have been converted. This Home is for the Pacific Coast. No other Church or society is doing anything for Japanese women and children. The Japanese population is increasing rapidly, and they come freely into America. The Buddhists, imitating us, intend to open a Home for Japanese women. They have already opened a mission in San Francisco, to be followed by a Home. The women are generous. Last year their gifts for missions were from one dollar to five dollars per member. There are two hundred and fifty Japanese women in San Francisco, and one hundred children. For the latter there is a school on Saturdays for religious instruction.

In summing up the work of the year, our Japanese missionary says, "If there were no Japanese Home for Women, it is quite sure these poor, helpless souls must fall into the hands of the devil."

Through your contributions of last year we have made a beginning of *Home* missionary work upon our *newest* possessions—at the Hawaiian Islands. A Japanese women, Mrs. Kasawara, has worked since last January among her own people. In these islands there are forty-five thousand Japanese men and ten thousand women and children. These people are saying, "Come over and help us." And we are going.

The opening years of the twentieth century welcome us to a larger work and a hopeful future of peaceful achievement. Let us be faithful, remembering the injunction in the parable of the nobleman, who delivered the ten pounds to his servants with the words, "Occupy till I come."

MRS. L. P. WILLIAMS, *Secretary.*

BUREAU FOR MISSION SUPPLIES.

OUR first glad note is one of praise and thanksgiving to God for his blessing on our efforts in helping the heroes to keep pace with the onward march of frontier-life. We are the "Motherly Society." What better name can we have? What is mother to a houseful of boys? Do you question if it pays? Listen to these letters, veritable heart-echoes: "How could we have remained here this winter but for your help?" "Your barrel was surely an answer to prayer."

You may never know how much you do until the books are opened, and our Father says, "Well done." You can not conceive of the poverty of our people in this land of plenty, nor the struggles of these ministers to educate their children on these figures. Some of the ministers on my district will not get two hundred dollars. It is clearly of the Lord when your honored and motherly Society takes care of his children. There is hope and strength in the thought, cheer and comfort to many despondent ones. One elder writes: "My men are all supplied well. Words fail to tell you how grateful we are. Figures can not express the joy and glad surprise that come to us at the barrel-opening. These are great days at the parsonage. Father opens the barrel, takes out some garments, holds them up before the children, then stays his hand for a moment, while the entire family, with bowed heads, ask a blessing on the Woman's Home Missionary Society. Do you wonder you were so happy this year, my dear, good women? Let me say, God bless all the willing helpers, the earnest, faithful ones, who make all this possible!"

"'T is greatly wise to talk with our past years.
And ask them what report they bring to heaven."

We submit the following report by Conferences:

Baltimore	$2,519 80
California	2,280 40
Central Ohio	1,042 55
Central New York	2,314 85
Central Pennsylvania	1,381 10
Cincinnati	1,679 20
Colorado	625 70
Des Moines	102 25
Detroit	1,647 60
East Ohio	1,847 90
Erie	2,131 05
Genesee	4,605 10
Indiana	1,455 50
Iowa	583 90
Kansas	686 85
Kentucky	293 70
Maine	900 00
Michigan	950 00
Minnesota	1,623 95
Nebraska	103 50
Newark	2,338 65
New England	3,920 95
New England Southern	1,063 75
New Hampshire	576 25
New Jersey	1,113 85
New York	5,205 20
New York East	2,624 85
North Indiana	990 70
North Nebraska	343 45
North Ohio	2,049 65
Northern New York	2,213 20
Northwest Indiana	549 50
Northwest Iowa	449 10
Ohio	1,342 05
Oregon	607 15

Philadelphia	$2,739 80
Pittsburg	2,340 55
Rock River	1,255 95
St. Louis	147 10
Southwest Kansas	401 85
Troy	2,823 00
Upper Iowa	1,474 60
Vermont	1,093 95
West Virginia	641 90
West Wisconsin	338 75
Wilmington	440 05
Wisconsin	28 05
Wyoming	1,336 75
Not classified	633 40
Vouchers from General Treasurer	218 60
A friend, for Western ministers	100 00
Total	$70,177 50

MRS. JAMES DALE, *Secretary.*

BUREAU FOR YOUNG PEOPLE.

DURING the past year we have met with many encouragements. Letters of inquiry have been coming to us from different directions, asking for literature and instructions to open work for home missions among the young people of our Church in places where this work has heretofore been neglected. Many of the members of our Young Woman's Home Missionary Societies are members of the Epworth League, and they, with our good deaconesses, are arousing much interest in our work.

The twittering of birds in the dawn of the morning never fell more sweetly upon our ears than does the sound of this awakening among our young people to the needs of home missions, stirring their hearts to obey the Divine command, *Go or send!*

To the members of the Epworth League we must look for many of our deaconesses of the future, as well as for workers in our various fields of labor; and we must also look upon them as the future members of the Auxiliaries, who have a greater and broader work before them than have the members of Auxiliaries of the present. Women who are members of Home Missionary Societies are realizing as never before the necessity of training their children as gleaners, and are aiding us by organizing Juvenile Bands, and enrolling Mothers' Jewels; thus preparing them for efficient, capable, and intelligent helpers when they arrive at years of responsibility. As soon as our women understand what a soul-saving work it is to surround homeless orphan children with loving care and Christian influences, they willingly give the names of their little ones as Mothers' Jewels, to help support our orphanages, and assist in sending boxes of clothing and other supplies to the orphan children who need help.

Many of our Conference Secretaries for Young People have risen above all discouragements, going steadily forward with brave hearts, knowing they are about the Master's work, and have met with success. It is impossible to mention in this report all the good work that our Young People's Societies have accomplished during the past year; but we hope to state in the Young People's column of *Home Missions* some facts each month which will show the interest in and growth of

this department of our Society. As the General Corresponding Secretary gives, in her Annual Report, the statistics of all Young People's Societies, it seems unnecessary to repeat it here. We have over forty Conference Secretaries for Young People, who need the hearty support and encouragement of their respective Conference Executive Boards. To these Boards we recommend that they request each Auxiliary in their Conference to appoint not less than three of their members as a Young People's Committee, whose duties shall be to interest and instruct the young people of their Churches in Home Mission work, and, where practicable, organize Young Woman's Societies or Juvenile Bands, enroll Mothers' Jewels, and obtain subscribers to *Children's Home Missions*, reporting monthly to their Auxiliaries, and quarterly to their Conference Secretary for Young People. Some of the Conference Executive Boards have acted favorably upon this recommendation. We trust all others will see the importance of such plans for the development and success of this Bureau.

Our young people are the sunshine, the hope, the dependence of our Society in the years to come. Shoulder to shoulder they may stand, around and across this great continent, throwing out the life-line to dying thousands; and while helping this good cause, they can be weaving for themselves garments of righteousness, to wear in the presence of the King. MRS. SAMUEL HAZLETT, *Secretary*.

BUREAU FOR LOCAL WORK.

FOURTEEN Conferences have reported Local Work during the year. Last year all Conference Treasurers were asked to instruct their Auxiliaries, to state on every voucher that the work had been done for the poor outside of any Church or Sunday-school. In most cases this has been done, and has resulted in an improvement in the character of work done, also in the manner of reporting it. In drawing the line so closely between missionary and charitable work, and allowing credit for the former only, our total is much smaller than it was last year, and more accurately represents the real missionary work that has been done.

Baltimore Conference reports as follows: Anacostia, $18.78; North Baltimore, $13.50; East Baltimore, $37.50; West Baltimore, $2.50; Bethany, $20.25; Columbia Avenue for gospel wagon, $52; Harlem Park, $2; Kensington, $26.60; Madison Avenue Auxiliary and Circle, $38; Monument Street, $6.50; total, $217.63.

California Conference: Grass Valley, $9.50; Oakland, First Church, Auxiliary and Circle, $11; Shattuck Avenue, $17.50; Howard Street, San Francisco, $212.37; Stockton, $29.85; Napa, $6; Modesto, $1.80; total, $270.52.

Colorado Conference: St. James Church, Denver, $10.25; Colorado Springs, $386.08; from Mrs. Lee, $50; total cash, $446.33. Number of visits made, 360; leaflets distributed, 580; Bibles given, 4; sick visited, 231; Bible-readings given, 11; religious services conducted, 32; number of families visited not attending Church, 33; number of children not attending Sunday-school, 20; number of families destitute of food and clothing, 26; value of supplies, $222.67; persons helped to employment, 3.

Detroit Conference: Mary Palmer Church, $50.61; Madison Avenue, Bay City, $71.98; Tillman Avenue, $15.20; total, $137.79.

Erie Conference: Fredonia, N. Y.—Supplies, $6.75; number of persons helped to employment, 1. Brookville, Pa.—Number of visits made, 5; sick visited, 10; families destitute of food and clothing, 3. Tidioute, Pa.—Supplies, $37. Warren, Pa.—Young Ladies' Society, clothing and

food, $18.25. Hillsville, Pa.—Visits made, 82; leaflets distributed, 30 in Italian, 45 in English; Bibles given, 1; sick visited, 39; Bible-readings given, 1; families not attending Church, 70; children not attending Sunday-school, 87; children not attending day-school, 19; value of supplies, $1.85; children brought to Sunday-school, 23. Corry, Pa.—Cash for fuel and clothing, $10; supplies, $5.

Genesee Conference: Delaware Avenue Church, Buffalo, $86; Bradford, Pa., $119.93; Queen Esther Circle, First Church, Rochester, $4.75; Corning Auxiliary, $85.19; Lockport, $1; total, $296.87.

Maine Conference: Westbrook, $25; Redfield, $25; Gorham, $11; Pine Street, Portland, $15.25; Hallowell, $3; total, $79.25.

Newark Conference: Given in support of city missionaries—Central Church, $25; Centenary, $72; St. Luke's, $40; Halsey Street, $25; Roseville, $72; Calvary, East Orange, $15; Montclair, $25; Morristown, $15; Miss Conklin, $25; Westfield, $2; receipts from concerts, $79.16; total, $359.16.

New Jersey Conference: Commerce Street Auxiliary, Bridgeton, $6.60; number visits made, 52; leaflets distributed, 75; sick visited, 40; mothers' meetings, 3; families visited not attending Church, 5; families destitute of food and clothing, 4; children brought to Sunday-school, 3; persons brought to Church, 1. Woodstown Auxiliary—Visits made, 3; families destitute food and coal, 3; value of supplies, $1.50. Asbury Park, First Church—Number visits made, 40; leaflets distributed, 200; sick visited, 20; families not attending Church, 2; children not in Sunday-school, 2; families destitute food and clothing, 50; persons helped to employment, 5; children brought to Sunday-school, 2; value of supplies, $243.47. Sea Bright—Visits made, 9; leaflets distributed, 12; sick visited, 14; families not attending Church, 1; value of supplies, $21. Broadway Auxiliary—Families visited, 2; value of supplies, $1.50.

North Indiana Conference: Garrett, $36; Decatur, $12.70; Grace Church, Richmond, $51.60; Knightstown, $30.78; Muncie, $104.98; Elkhart, $3.65; Wayne Street, Fort Wayne, $30; Goshen, $2; Mishawaka, $50.58; Bluffton, $61.55; Huntington, $24.45; New Castle, $9.53; Cicero, $3.50; total, $421.32. Goshen—Supplies, $2. Elkhart—Children visited not attending day-school, 2; families destitute of food, 3; families destitute of clothing, 6; supplies given, $3.65. Muncie—Number of visits, 55; children not attending day-school, 8; families destitute food and clothing, 23; estimated value supplies, $66.22; cash supplies, $104.98. Anderson—Visits made, 35; tracts distributed, 15; sick visited, 14; Bible-readings, 4; families not attending Church, 2; families destitute food and clothing, 6. Garrett—Cash supplies, $36. Decatur—Sick visited, 11; families not attending Church, 5; destitute of clothing, 5; helped to employment, 7; cash supplies, $12.70. Grace Church, Richmond—Visits made, 32; leaflets distributed, 141; sick visited, 171; estimated value of supplies, $139.95; cash supplies, $51.63. Knightstown—Visits made, 183; leaflets distributed, 30; sick visited, 128; estimated value of supplies, $20.65; cash supplies, $30.78. Mishawaka—Visits made, 60; sick visited, 20; families not attending Church, 10; destitute of food and clothing, 15; estimated value of supplies, $33; cash supplies, $50.58. Bluffton—Visits made, 260; sick visited, 100; religious services conducted, 12; children not attending day-school, 25; estimated value of supplies, $223.60; cash supplies, $61.55. Wayne Street, Fort Wayne—Cash supplies, $20. Huntington—Visits made, 30; sick visited, 26; families not attending Church, 2; children not attending Sunday-school, 4; cash supplies, $24.45. New Castle—Cash supplies, $9.53. Cicero—Cash supplies, $3.50.

North Ohio Conference: Elyria, $78.35.

Nebraska Conference: Lincoln Auxiliary, $15.

Ohio Conference: Ironton, $20; Marietta, $33.99; Mt. Carmel, $20; total, $73.99.

Puget Sound Conference: Olympia, $5.

Northern New York Conference: Rome, $10.

Upper Iowa Conference: All this money has been raised for work among the Bohemians in Cedar Rapids—Iowa City, $12; Mt. Vernon, $5; Springville, $5; Maquoketa, $5; Manchester, $1.25; Waterloo, Grace Church, $5; Charles City, $5; Mason City, $7.40; Waverly, $1; La Porte City, $3; Cedar Falls, $15; Raymond, $2; Cedar Rapids, $10; Mt. Vernon, $5; Clinton, $2.50; Sheffield, $6; total, $90.15. Number visits made, 304; a large amount of literature and leaflets distributed; several Testaments given away; sick visited, 23; Bible-readings, 56; religious services conducted, 156; children brought into Sunday-school, 130; persons brought to Church services, 60; paid Mrs. De Costello, missionary, $113.80; total, $203.95.

Troy Conference: Number visits made, 78; sick visited, 25; families visited not attending Church, 8; families destitute of food and clothing, 136; children not attending Sunday-school, 18; persons helped to employment, 2; children brought to Sunday-school, 12.

West Wisconsin Conference: Augusta Auxiliary, $30; Eau Claire, $4.50; Spring Creek, $2; Madison Avenue, $53.40; cash supplies, $40.88; total, $130.78. Number of visits made by Madison Avenue Auxiliary, 10; leaflets distributed, 200; sick visited, 30; religious services conducted, 1; families visited not attending Church, 6; persons helped to employment, 1; families destitute of food and clothing, 18; estimated value of supplies, $23; cash supplies, $12.65. Mineral Point, $10.

Wisconsin Conference: Sheboygan Auxiliary, $28.05.

Wyoming Conference: Grace Church, Binghamton, $5.32.

The cash total for the year, not including the estimated value of supplies that have been distributed, is $3,947.23.

Respectfully submitted. MRS. E. B. GREEN, *Secretary.*

BUREAU FOR READING CIRCLE.

I REJOICE to report our work as moving rapidly to the front. The Conferences on the Pacific Coast have organized new Circles, and report gains along the line of profitable missionary reading.

Our mission work is again blessed by the efforts of Mrs. T. P. Frost, whose eight hundred members in the Baltimore Conference made it one of the "first magnitude" for three years, and brings over two hundred new recruits from her New Jersey home.

A new Circle has been organized at Mishawaka, Ind., and, notwithstanding the heat of summer, has added members and paid in results more than double measure. I am glad to report that in my work, that covers the entire field, not one unkind or discouraging letter has been received. Rev. T. C. Iliff has promised us a book on Mormonism that will be the truth and up-to-date. Some of our Circles make a book a center of missionary interest, and group authors of like kind about it, thus gaining valuable resources. The controlling idea of our Course is not the reading of a set of books that at most are but tentative in character, but rather the gaining of missionary facts that will stimulate a greater effort in our work. "A man knows as much as he works," is true of women also. A study of our needs must keep mission work active. If we would please God, we must seek to know his will, and intelligently follow him.

A merciful Providence, that has in the past year given us the sea

and the islands thereof, is a call that first requires an intelligent knowledge of our possessions. Our new star book, "Our Island Empire," published by the Methodist Book Concern, will aid our understanding and duty to this benighted people. The destiny of our country and Home Mission Society is determined by our use of critical periods.

It was said of Carlyle that he believed in God down to the time of Oliver Cromwell. We believe in God down to our Methodist McKinley, who has been chosen to lift up the standard of Christianity to an enslaved people. Providence has been sending the unregenerate to our shores by millions, and has now given us an island empire to be redeemed to God and filled with sweetness and light.

MRS. J. L. TRISLER, *Secretary.*

MEDICAL MISSION WORK, BOSTON—NORTH END.

WITHIN the bounds of the New England Conference is the only Medical Mission of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. Professor Harriet Cooke, who studied deaconess work at Mildmay, upon her return to this country was called to the Superintendency of the Woman's Work at the Epworth Settlement in the North End of Boston. She soon learned the necessity of reaching the soul through ministry to the body. Through the generosity of friends, Professor Cooke was enabled to carry on this work for a few months independent of organization, and then presented it to the New England Conference Woman's Home Missionary Society for their adoption four years ago. Two rooms were rented in a house next to the Epworth Settlement—one to serve as the office and sleeping-room of the resident physician, a student from the Medical Department of Boston University; the other used as a waiting-room for the patients. Off this room is our supply closet, from which from time to time go out the warm bedding; fresh, clean sheets; the wardrobe for the little stranger, too often unwelcome; nourishing food for the baby and invalid; medicines and bandages as they may be needed. While the patients await their turn for consultation, they listen to hymns telling the story of a Savior's love. On the principle of helping those who are willing to make the effort to help themselves, the nominal sum of ten cents is charged for medicine and consultation whenever the patient is not entirely destitute. And a ticket is given which entitles the holder to after-consultations at five cents each. The money thus obtained is called Desk Money, and applied to the purchase of medicines and other necessities of the work. Professor Cooke, its founder, has continued as its Superintendent, and the success of the work is largely due to her faithful efforts.

Our present nurse, Miss Jennie Hillman, a graduate from Ohio Wesleyan University, and later had medical training at Herkimer, New York, has been with us only a short time, but has entered upon her work enthusiastically, and at our Annual Meeting, a few weeks since, said that "she knew of no greater helpfulness to the wretched ones in our slums than going into their homes in the spirit of the Master, and ministering to soul and body."

The Medical Director is Dr. Powers, a prominent practicing physician in Boston. Without his recommendation, the services of no physician are accepted. He is also the surgeon and specialist in lung diseases. He has so won the confidence of the people, he is called by them the Great Physician.

The mission is open for consultation certain hours each day of the week, excepting Sunday. One day of the week diseases of the eye and

ear, always so prevalent among the poor and so difficult to reach, are treated. Twenty cases of pneumonia have come under the care of the mission. It is a most remarkable fact that, notwithstanding the almost fatal nature of this terrible disease, even under the most favorable conditions, not one has been lost of these cases, living in homes of poverty, often of actual want and distress.

The question is often asked, and with perfect propriety, Do we reach the sin-sick soul, as well as relieve the suffering body? In my own mind the question is always answered emphatically, Yes. I find it, however, more difficult to show how this is accomplished, and with what measure of success, than it is to explain the setting of a bone, or the proper treatment of acute diseases, or the distribution of food and fuel. We do not expect that every one to whom we have extended the helping hand, and to whose bodily ailments we have given sympathetic as well as scientific aid, will immediately renounce the faith in which they have been trained, and become Protestants. We do not expect that those whose lives have been steeped in vice will immediately become consistent Christians. What we do expect, and what is constantly seen, is that the treatment of the body brings them in close relationship with our workers, and gives the opportunity to drop the seeds of truth, as we see it, into hearts made tender and open to impressions, and the seeds germinate. Six years ago the parochial school in the North End of Boston was full to overflowing. It is now rented for a public school. The barriers are certainly being broken down, though slowly, between Jew and Gentile, Catholic and Protestant, and through the agency of our medical mission access is found to homes and hearts otherwise closed to all Christian workers. Dean Hodges has said that work done for the whole man, soul, mind, and body, is the greatest work the Church can do. We are thankful that, through the agency of our medical mission and its corps of devoted workers, we can do a little of this threefold work in our own city.

MRS. B. M. EATON, *Chairman of Committee.*

REPORTS

OF

Conference Corresponding Secretaries.

BALTIMORE CONFERENCE.

We rejoice as we look backward, for God has crowned the year's work with blessings. As a Conference we have had a good share in the work of the General Society, supporting beneficiaries in Alaska, New Mexico, at the Watts de Peyster Home, and a little girl in San Francisco rescued from Chinatown. We also support a student in the National Training-school. We have contributed to the salaries of the missionaries in Alaska, and also to the much-needed hospital in that far-away land. We have aided the Immigrant Work in New York City, and sent valuable supplies to the frontier. Bancroft Rest Home has been remembered. I had the pleasure of attending the summer convocation of our Society at Mountain Lake Park, and aided in the plans that have secured the former home of the late Father John Thompson as a Rest Home for Deaconesses and Missionaries, to be named for this beloved man of God. This beautiful place among the mountains is a favorite resort of the members and friends of our Conference, and they have already given toward its purchase.

The great achievement of the past year has been the enlargement of our local work in Baltimore and Washington. In Baltimore, under the auspices of the Deaconess Board and the able direction of its efficient President, Mrs. John Neff, and the earnest women associated with her, ground has been purchased on Washington Street, near Monument, for an Institutional building, with chapel, industrial, and kindergarten rooms; also a room for the deaconess, and long before our next Annual Meeting it will have been completed, and we shall have beautiful and permanent quarters for our Bohemian work, with a parsonage for their devoted pastor, Rev. F. D. Chada.

In Washington, one year ago, we reopened the rooms and wards of Sibley Hospital for the reception of patients. Under the energetic superintendency of its Director, Miss C. A. Aikens, the work has greatly prospered, and we are looking forward with rejoicing to its enlargement and to the erection of Rust Hall.

The Conference Anniversary at Caroline Street Church was an occasion to be remembered. So great was the interest manifested, hundreds were unable to gain admittance. Dr. Bristol's splendid address on Home Missions evoked frequent applause, and his appeal at the close resulted in collections and subscriptions of over $1,300 for the Bohemian building.

The summer meetings at Mountain Lake Park, Emory, Washington, and Alleghany groves were occasions of great interest.

The deaconesses in Baltimore and Washington have been abundant in labors, making thousands of visits and caring for the sick, the poor, and the dying, gathering the little children into kindergarten, industrial, and Sabbath-schools, everywhere scattering sunshine and blessings.

We are planning for greater things the coming year.

MRS. CLARA L. ROACH,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE.

STATISTICS for the year show a moderate advance in every department. Seven new Auxiliaries have been formed, and one Queen Esther Circle. Though the increase in Circles is small, the large amount of work accomplished called forth an expression of surprise from Mrs. Hazlett. A leaflet showing how young people may help the deaconesses has been written and published by Miss C. G. Davis, our Conference Secretary of Young People's Work. It is a pleasure to announce a new Auxiliary in Honolulu, organized by Mrs. Angie F. Newman. Some one says that San Francisco was formerly the back door of the continent; but the late war has changed it to a front entrance. It stands invitingly open to any number of Auxiliaries from the Pacific.

District meetings were held in Hayward's, Petaluma, and San Jose. Mrs. Robert Bentley, wife of the presiding elder, has been doing excellent work as an organizer in Sacramento District.

The Annual Meeting was held in the Japanese Church, San Francisco. The Japanese pastor made the address of welcome; Japanese young men and maidens laid the tables and served at the noon hour. In the evening, Japanese talent provided a program of songs, addresses, and representations of home-life in Japan. In the course of the day sessions many vistors were introduced, among them the native pastor of a Nagasaki Church and the editor of a prominent magazine published in Tokyo. The officers and secretaries were in their places with reports of the year's work, and a thoroughly enjoyable and profitable season was spent. Anniversary exercises were held at Pacific Grove, the principal feature being a strong address by Dr. J. N. Beard, of San Francisco, treating of the scope and the beneficial results of the efforts of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

The Secretary of the Bureau for Orientals and the Superintendent of the Deaconess Home and School will furnish ample details of the work under their supervision in their reports, and extended comments along these lines are not required in this article. The Deaconess Assembly, held at San Francisco in April, brought the presence and valuable thought of Mrs. G. O. Robinson, of Professor Henrietta Bancroft, of our university professors, and some of the brightest minds of the California Conference. And while we received inspiration from our distinguished guests, they obtained a knowledge of the real proportions of our Home and Training-school which could not have been learned from correspondence alone. The school has just entered upon its sixth year. Among the visitors at the opening exercises were Rev. G. L. Pearson, of Honolulu, and Dr. W. S. Matthew, editor of the California *Advocate*. The following is from the editorial page of the *Advocate:* "The school is doing a noble work. The call for deaconess workers is far beyond the present or prospective supply. The Church can afford to encourage these consecrated women. We doubt if there is any work among us now calling for means that will bring in larger returns for the investment, than the Deaconess Home and Training-school."

MRS. R. MCLELLAN, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

CENTRAL ILLINOIS CONFERENCE.

THIS Conference has a very imperfect organization, and has had no Conference meeting or election of officers for over two years. There are four Auxiliaries in the Conference doing good work, one of which was recently organized. Circumstances seem to demand help from the General Society, and there is a prospect of having some work done in December, from which we expect good results.

MRS. ELLA G. TAYLOR, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

CENTRAL NEW YORK CONFERENCE.

NO NEW Auxiliaries have been added to our number during the year, yet a strong, healthful growth is manifested in many of the old ones. Three Circles and three Bands have been organized, and eight life members have been added. One hundred and fifty-eight dollars and fifty-three cents have been gathered in the mite-boxes. We have raised for "Rust Hall" $168.50; for our hospital in Alaska, $119.95; for the Immigrant Home in New York, $33.14; and $29.50 for our work in Honolulu; a total of $351.09, nearly all of which was raised as thank-offerings by the different Auxiliaries. Scholarships have been provided for Adeline Smith Home, Bennett Home, Stickney Home, Boylan Home, Jesse Lee Home, and Simpson Home. Estimated value of supplies sent is $2,366.16.

The Society met with a great loss in the death of Mrs. Thankful A. Price, of Cortland. Her zeal for the evangelizing of our own country, and her quiet interest in all the work of the Society, were a source of inspiration and helpfulness. She was an earnest, interested worker, and a generous giver. Her last gift, sent to our Treasurer a few months before her death, was a second fifty dollars for our hospital in Alaska. In her will she bequeathed to our Society the sum of $2,000.

Mrs. Louisa B. Ayers, Corresponding Secretary of Geneva District, also passed away during the year, and left us stunned and overwhelmed by the loss. She was a woman of rare mental and spiritual worth. Her tongue and pen were ever ready to render valuable service to every worthy cause. We had come to lean heavily upon her for counsel and support in our especial work. As a Secretary she was alert, accurate, enthusiastic, and painstaking. Her heart was in the work, and she inspired us by her enthusiasm and zeal. No eulogy can overstate her excellence of character and efficiency in service. We shall miss her in every phase of our work.

The Twentieth-century offering has been presented in every district of the Conference, and many of the Auxiliaries are making large preparations for it, in increase of membership, increase of subscriptions to our papers, and in money offerings.

We are hoping that we will see and feel our great opportunities for service, and begin the new century by giving the best there is of us to save from heathenism our own loved land.

MRS. W. A. BROWNELL,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

CENTRAL OHIO CONFERENCE.

FOR several years the best we could say of our work was that we were growing in interest and sentiment. This growth was but the bud and blossom giving promise of the ripened fruit. This year we come up to the Annual Meeting with songs in our hearts, for the promise has been fulfilled, and we are able to report a most satisfactory increase in our finances, a gain of $231 over last year. This most tangible proof of real growth inspires us to plan greater things for the coming year. There has been an advance in supplies also, over one thousand dollars worth having been sent to six of our schools, to Deaconess Homes, and to the frontier. For the third year we have assumed the salary of Miss Elliot, an Ohio girl, now Superintendent of King Home, each of our six districts paying a month's salary the first half of the year.

One hundred and fifty dollars has been paid to Rust Hall, thus meeting our pledge of one hundred dollars by paying one hundred and fifty cents on the dollar.

At Antwerp, where we have no Auxiliary, twenty-five dollars was raised through the effort of the pastor's wife for a scholarship. At our last Conference meeting this same pastor's wife, Mrs. W. S. Philpott, was elected Conference Secretary of Systematic Beneficence.

The hospital in Alaska, the work in Utah, Immigrant Home in New York, Italian work in New Orleans, the completion of Allen Home at Asheville, all have claimed and received our attention.

Our young ladies naturally turn their thoughts and efforts to those of their own age, whose cry is, "We have no chance." They have raised $250 for scholarships in the various Industrial Schools, while our little workers are supporting beneficiaries in Mothers' Jewels Home.

Mrs. Woolson's Sunday-school class of St. Paul's, Toledo, raised one hundred dollars last year, and sent one of their number to the Aldrich Training-school at Grand Rapids. Their purpose is to continue till she has completed the three years' course required to fit her for deaconess work. And now another young lady, Miss Katherine Brown, of Broadway Church, Toledo, offers her bright young life to the deaconess work, and hopes to enter the Training-school at Washington in the near future.

Our Conference and District meetings have been well attended and profitable. Besides Mrs. McCabe and Mrs. Williams, who belong to us, we have had with us Mrs. Beiler, Miss McIllmoyl, and Dr. Selah Brown, of the California Conference, all of whom have instructed and inspired us.

We came home from the Minneapolis meeting a year ago, resolved to do more aggressive work; but the greater part of the year, the Conference Secretary, through illness, has been obliged to "sit and look on;" therefore, whatever of success has come to us this year is largely due to the faithful work of the rank and file in every Auxiliary. At a recent Board Meeting, Mrs. D. Sticker was made Assistant Secretary and Conference Organizer, and now we are fully equipped for the coming year.

The Christ-like sympathy and loving co-operation that has epecially marked our work this year, is the best of proof that Jesus Christ is no myth, but that he dwells in the hearts of his believers—a living Presence.

MRS. M. H. DAVIS,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA CONFERENCE.

WE come to the close of the sixteenth year in the history of the Central Pennsylvania Conference Society, with thankful though saddened hearts. A year ago we spoke of bereavement and affliction; to-day we recall the words of the poet,

"They come not single spies, but in battalions."

Mrs. Crawford, our long-time helper, then lingering with us strong in faith and wise in counsel, inspiring others to do even when her own hands were helpless, went away to keep Christmas in heaven. Faithful to the Woman's Home Missionary Society and its interests to the end, she remembered it in her will by the gift of one thousand dollars. We have sadly missed her; her place is hard to fill. And now we sit with you in the shadow of a deeper sorrow, mourning our common loss, our honored Mrs. Rust gone from us. So God smites out of our hands the strong staff on which we lean, and teaches us to hold fast to him.

Already we begin to see development in our Conference workers, a deepening sense of individual responsibility, and a conscientious rising to meet it. The recent Conference Annual Meeting, held at Sunbury, greatly

cheered our hearts along this line. Timid women, prone to discount their own efforts, are proving themselves equal to present emergencies. May their courage grow with their every endeavor!

Miss Van Marter and Miss Minnie Hooven, of Williamsport, gave us delightful talks at this Annual Meeting.

Our camp-meeting work has been discouraging. Of the four camps which have usually given us a hearing, only one, that at Huntington Valley, allowed us a collection this year. May the Lord reward those good people! At Newton-Hamilton a fine address was given by Mrs. S. V. Heaton, but no collection received.

In March, at the Annual Conference held in Harrisburg, Ridge Avenue Church, Dr. S. P. Cadman made one of his stirring addresses to a crowded house; and at Fifth Street Church, the previous afternoon, Miss Durham delighted a large audience with song and address. Good collections were received, and from Miss Durham's meeting twenty-five dollars was sent to Bancroft Rest Home.

Four of the finest students in the Washington Training-school this year, all self-supporting, we have claimed as our Central Pennsylvania girls, and we are sending again some promising candidates. Great care has been observed in selecting these, with a purpose to secure the very best available material. We look for increased interest in this work, as the new preceptress and her sister, the Misses Tomkinson, are from our Conference, and both greatly honored and beloved.

Our Deaconess Mission at Mt. Carmel is still successfully maintained. Miss Swartz was taken from us last October for the Indianapolis work; but providentially we knew just where to lay our hand upon one who has proved a worthy substitute, Miss Elizabeth Larrish, who, though she has had only partial training, is an earnest and devout worker.

Our pledges for the year to missionaries' salaries, training-school scholarship, and beneficiaries in five Industrial Homes, also small amounts for Rust Hall and Bancroft Rest, amounted to $710. We raised for these objects $789. Two hundred and fifty-six dollars of this sum came from the mite-boxes, under the skillful manipulation of our indefatigable Secretary, Mrs. Fraim. We begin the new year with enlarged obligations, and our pledges stand as follows:

To Mt. Carmel Deaconess Salary	$100 00
To Student in National Training-school, Washington, D. C.	100 00
To same (a personal pledge)	100 00
To Albuquerque, Miss Bartholomew's Work	100 00
To naming room in Rust Hall, Washington, in memory of Mrs. M. R. Crawford	100 00
To furnishing the room, Williamsport Auxiliaries	50 00
Wards of Mite-boxes:	
To Louise Keeler (Mothers' Jewels Home)	50 00
To Ida Ford, Watts de Peyster Home	60 00
To Isaac Watts, Stickney Home	40 00
To Vashia Nezeroff, Unalaska	50 00
To Carrie Chamblin, Asheville	30 00
To Ida Lee (Chinese Home) from Berwick	60 00
To Rosan Ryan (Ritter Home) from Holidaysburg	40 00
To Ruth Whittier (Ritter Home) from Clearfield	40 00
To Assistant Teacher, Unalaska, from Hammersley Circle	60 00

We appeal to every Auxiliary to fall in line, and make this report at the end of fiscal year a perfect fulfillment of all our pledges.

Our Supply Secretary, Mrs. Leidy, has never been more watchful and assiduous in her colors, and wherever she goes she sows seed for future reaping. Of our Treasurer, Mrs. J. P. Luce, zealous and devoted in her work, it may be said that hers is an example that other young women might do well to follow. The new Secretary for Danville District, Miss Lide Bucher, has done beautiful work. Berwick, her banner Auxiliary, is close pressed by Sunbury, and others are following on. We can only regret that some of the best Churches on this district still look askance at the youngest daughter of the Church, the Woman's Home Missionary Society, and find for her "no place in the inn."

Williamsport and Altoona Districts, which have been without Secretaries and only imperfectly cared for by the Conference Secretary, now delight to welcome each a new official head, while Secretaries for Young People's Work have been appointed on all the districts.

The work of the Training-school Manager, so long and zealously guarded by Mrs. Crawford, has also fallen to the lot of the Conference Secretary.

Our faithful President, Mrs. A. W. Black, who is one of our charter members, and has stood at the helm of our executive craft for these many years, grows wiser and more indispensable with every succeeding epoch. And may the Lord raise up unto us more workers, to divide with us responsibility and labor! For we lift up our eyes, and see that the fields are white indeed unto the harvest and the laborers are few.

MRS. T. L. TOMKINSON,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

CINCINNATI CONFERENCE.

WE are pleased to report a continued and increasing interest in the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Cincinnati Conference. As this increase shows steady growth, it is very encouraging.

Our receipts do not show quite so well as last year, although more money has been paid; but the Auxiliaries do not promptly send their reports, and they could not be credited on the year. Four hundred dollars were sent in after the Treasurer's books were closed.

Our Conference is thoroughly organized, with competent Secretaries at the head of each department, pushing their several interests with much zeal.

Our Conference Board recommended that we pledge $10,000 and one thousand new members for the Twentieth-century Offering.

The Young People's Work, being in the hands of so competent a Secretary, has pushed its efforts until our Conference still leads in that branch of work.

The majority of all the Auxiliaries take special pleasure in sending the well-filled barrel to the frontier, and also to the Homes in the South. Boylan, Haven, Mothers' Jewels, Harwood, and Simpson Homes have all been remembered with gifts.

Our pledges have all been met. The Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school, Rust Hall, New York Immigrant Home, Rest Home at Ocean Grove, Indian Work, School in Mexico, Hospital in Alaska, Jesse Lee Home, and Hawaii have been aided.

Thank-offering and Emergency Funds have also received a share of attention.

Glenn Home is abundant in labors of love, and warmly supported by the Auxiliaries of the Conference.

An exceedingly interesting meeting of Mite-box Secretaries was held

at Hamilton, the second in the history of our work, and because of this meeting the income from this source has been very greatly increased.

We were greatly favored at the Conference Anniversary in having as speakers, Miss Henrietta Bancroft and Mrs. V. F. Chapman, Superintendent of Ritter Home. Their addresses were both helpful and inspiring.

The assembling of the Annual Meeting at Walnut Hills in September was in sadness, as those who were so beloved and active were suffering affliction, and our beloved Mrs. Rust lay waiting for the summons calling her from labor to reward, and the following week passed on to the better land.

"Servant of God, well done;
Thy glorious warfare 's past;
The battle 's fought, the race is won,
And thou art crowned at last."

The evening meeting was most ably addressed by Dr. W. A. Robinson, whom all were glad to welcome.

Much work remains to be done for the Literary Department, and we hope to have many new subscribers to *Woman's Home Missions* and *Children's Home Missions* for the coming year.

With growing appreciation of the work, and increasing faith and hope among the workers, we thank God, and take courage as we enter upon a new year of service and blessing.

MRS. H. G. MARSHALL,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

COLORADO CONFERENCE.

THE Colorado Conference reports a year of increased interest and of very faithful work. This will be seen in the Treasurer's report, which shows a total of $2,484 raised this year, as against $1,024 last year. First in importance is our work for our brethren on our vast frontier. Boxes of new, warm clothing have been sent them in their hard mountain circuits, some of which are larger than the State of Rhode Island, and on the even larger circuits on the plains. Our gifts to the city missions of Denver are larger than last year. A brother in Cañon City, a day laborer in a brickyard, gave us one hundred dollars last year (besides a monthly gift of ten dollars for an Emergency Fund) to place a deaconess in a most needy and degraded part of Denver. He repeats the gifts this year. We are supporting a little girl in the Mothers' Jewels Home at York, Nebraska, the money being furnished by the Mothers' Jewels Bands. Clubs among these Jewels' Bands are taking the *Children's Home Missions*. Our loan library has been much and well used during the past year. The Secretary of this department has distributed several thousand tracts and other helpful reading.

We are glad to report an increase of interest and efficiency in our deaconess work. We now have a comfortable and commodious Home, well located, as a mother house for the Conference. Our receipts have been $1,043 for this work. We have maintained all the departments of deaconess work, visiting, field, nursing, slumming, and acting as subpastors in our greater parishes. Six deaconesses are now in our Home, all but one being licensed. Miss Melissa Briggs is Superintendent. Miss Winifred Spaulding, of the Los Angeles Home, has been with us in the field, where her work was very efficient. Mrs. William Lennox is main-

taining, under the auspices of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, the Belle Lennox Nursery, a home for deserted children and those whose mothers are at domestic service. There are fifty-one of these little ones in the Nursery at present. This great philanthropy is under the care of our beloved Conference President, Mrs. A. C. Peck, whose labors are in every good cause most abundant. The cost of this benevolence is nearly one thousand dollars a year.

Perhaps the best of all our Conference Anniversaries was held this year. An inspiring audience was addressed, among others, by Miss Maria Clegg, of our Apache Indian School at Dulce, New Mexico, who has with her an Apache Indian and a Mexican girl; by Dr. Thomas Harwood, of the New Mexico Spanish Mission; Dr. Manley Hard, and Dr. W. H. W. Rees. The collection was very large, and was given to Miss Clegg for her work. The departments of the Society are all well-manned. As I close this report, our Conference officers and Auxiliaries are heavy with sorrow at the news of the death of our great and beloved National Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. R. S. Rust. The worker dies, but may the work go on! We are expecting great things here.

MRS. CLAUDIUS B. SPENCER,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

DES MOINES CONFERENCE.

THE Des Moines Conference shows a decided gain during the past year in the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. Some new Auxiliaries and one Queen Esther Circle have been organized, weak societies have been strengthened, and more general interest aroused than for some years past. The fifth anniversary was held during the Conference session at Denison, the address being given by Mrs. H. I. Benson, Acting Superintendent of Bidwell Deaconess Home. At the business meeting, the following day, most of the Conference officers were re-elected, and other matters of importance attended to. In both meetings a marked degree of interest was manifest, and the members and friends of the Society were greatly encouraged by the outlook for increased results during the coming year. The plans which have been in operation the past year for the establishment of a Protestant Hospital in Des Moines, under the control of the Methodist Church, are being rapidly matured, and the expectation is that early in the new year the doors of the institution will be opened to the public. The importance of having two such institutions as the Bidwell Deaconess Home and the Hospital in Iowa's Capital City can not be overestimated, and loyal Methodists throughout the State will rejoice in such evidence of prosperity.

MISS ARABELLA LITTLE,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

DETROIT CONFERENCE.

IN my report last year I closed with an expression of confidence that the outlook for the new year was auspicious. Our expectations have been met to a very considerable degree. Our seven districts are all organized, and all but one very flourishing. That one is awakening from a nap, and will be heard from in our next. We have added 445 new members this year. Our organ, *Woman's Home Missions*, prints 184 new names for our territory. We have circulated 6,000 pages of literature. We have

sent out 535 more mite-boxes than last year, and realized a gain of $203. The Mite-box Fund shows 63 per cent gain over two years ago, and 22 per cent over last year. This fund is used in our large frontier work. We have eighty-one charges that pay a salary to the pastor of $500 or less, including parsonage. Our supplies have increased in cash and estimated values this year beyond any previous year. We have paid $3,000 to our deaconess work.

Our Conference Anniversary was largely attended. Mrs. Anna Beiler gave two most helpful addresses, which were greatly appreciated.

During the session of the Conference on Sunday afternoon, the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Societies held a joint meeting, with an audience that crowded the great auditorium of the church. This meeting has united the work and workers as we have not known before. Mrs. J. B. Geggie has spent a month of efficient labors in the great Upper Peninsula country. She strengthened former Auxiliaries, and added six new Societies and pledged 757 tithers. We have in all added nine Auxiliaries and three Queen Esther Circles. While our frontier work enlists most easily our interest, we have not been satisfied to think only of that great work. We long to do more for our general interests, and have already considered what we can pledge, and have apportioned the same to the seven districts. We paid last year something to ten of our general interests, and now hope and plan to double our pledge for the year to come.

MRS. W. B. POPE,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

EAST OHIO CONFERENCE.

THE past year has been, in many respects, a trying one in most of the Conference Districts. The unusual severity of the winter made traveling difficult; thus very little could be done in the way of organization. There was an unusual amount of sickness in many places, and very heavy financial losses in some of the districts. On one of our strongest districts a financial panic, affecting three thousand families, prevailed. All these circumstances should be taken into consideration in a review of the year's work. Our Conference believes in aiding, as much as possible, every good missionary cause. We have sent scholarship money to Alaska; Dulce, New Mexico; Harwood Home, New Mexico; Little Rock, the Italian Mission, Emerson Home, Asheville, Morristown, Stickney Home, King Home, Watts de Peyster Home, Mothers' Jewels Home, and Bennett Home. Have supported two deaconesses in Training-school, and will send four to the Training-school next year. We have contributed money towards the completion of Rust Hall, for the Emergency Fund, for the salaries of three missionaries, and raised in money, value of supplies, and rent over two thousand dollars for the Deaconess Home at Cleveland. All the pledges made at the last Annual Meeting have been met. Our Annual Meeting at Uhrichsville was well attended, and full of inspiration. Mrs. D. L. Williams was with us on that occasion, and did much, by her wise counsels and able addresses, to enthuse and inform the representatives from the Auxiliaries. The Conference Anniversary at Alliance was a delightful occasion. Professor Henrietta Bancroft was with us, and delivered a scholarly address. Miss McIlmoyl ably presented the work and needs of the Deaconess Home at Cleveland, and we took up a collection of over $88 for our depleted Contingent Fund. One noble man gave $55 of this amount, but would not let his name be known. This we afterwards ascertained, however. And First Church, of Cleve-

land, has added to the amount already given enough money to make the generous giver an Honorary Life Manager of the Society. Missionary literature has been circulated throughout the Conference during the year; also copies of the Annual Minutes. This year a circular letter, setting forth our work, its aims and needs, will be sent to every minister and Auxiliary in the Conference. We have tried, though with rather indifferent success, to increase the subscriptions to our Society papers. We hope for better results the coming year. Five new Auxiliaries have been formed in the Conference during the year, and one Auxiliary which was asleep has been awakened to new life and activity. Two Queen Esther Circles have been organized. The Treasurer's Annual Report showed a slight increase this year over last year. In cash received and value of supplies sent out over five thousand dollars was raised. There has been a manifest increase of zeal and interest on most of the districts in the past year. We are planning to do a better, broader work in the year to come. Our missionary sky looks clearer, and the tokens of a larger harvest can be discerned by the eye of faith.

MRS. F. A. ARTER,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

EAST TENNESSEE CONFERENCE.

OUR Conference has made a forward movement this year. The Annual Meeting was held in July, and was well attended by delegates and visitors. The general work was well represented, and all seem to take new life. Miss Nannie M. Cox was elected delegate to the meeting of the General Board of Managers. Miss Minnie Spraggins was made the Conference beneficiary, and the Auxiliaries pledged money for her board at the New Jersey Home in Morristown. Mrs. E. E. Gardner was elected Secretary of the Supply Department, and Mrs. Marinda Tolbert Conference Manager of the Lucy Webb Hayes National Training-school. We have only twenty-three subscribers to the paper, but are working for an increase. We are working for the upbuilding of the Master's cause.

MISS CORA PROVINE,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

ERIE CONFERENCE.

OUR Conference has moved forward with a good degree of success during the year. We have been especially encouraged by the spirit of prompt and willing giving which has prevailed.

In addition to the work proposed by our Conference Board, we assumed on faith at the last Annual Meeting twenty-five dollars for purchase of land at King Home. We visited Northeast Auxiliary, stated the case, and forthwith they assumed the amount, in addition to their regular apportionment, and at once sent the money to the General Treasurer.

In March of this year, Mrs. B. F. Wade, wife of the pastor at Portland, New York, made herself a life member of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, in the payment of twenty dollars for Rust Hall. On the morning of September 2d she was released from earth, and entered the life immortal. September 13th, one of Brocton's young and faithful members, Mrs. Florence Beckwith, joyfully answered the summons to "come up higher."

ILLINOIS CONFERENCE.

SLOWLY, but surely, the Illinois Conference is pushing her way to the front rank of usefulness in the field of work set apart for her in the organization known as the Woman's Home Missionary Society. The past year has found the workers in the different Auxiliaries aroused to new zeal, and doing much to forward our Lord's work. Much of this enthusiasm must be credited to our faithful field deaconesses, who have sown the seed early and late. Seven new Auxiliaries have been organized during the past year.

The Annual Meeting of the Illinois Conference Woman's Home Missionary Society was held in Jacksonville, October 4th, 5th, and 6th, in Grace Church. It was one grand consecration meeting for "better service" this coming year. In response to an appeal from Miss Evans for help, the Convention pledged themselves to do all in their power to add fifty subscribers to *Woman's Home Missions* and fifty to the children's paper. We also received a communication from Mrs. Hamilton in regard to forming a Bureau of Systematic Giving. Our Convention gladly discussed the subject, and after hearing a paper read upon "Tithing," a new office in the Illinois Conference was created, and a Secretary of Systema ic Giving was elected. We elected our Conference President for the sixth time, and re-elected our Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer. At the Illinois Conference of Methodist Episcopal ministers, held in Charleston, Illinois, September 19th to 25th, Sunday, the 24th of September, 1899, will ever live in the memory of those present. Just after Bishop Fitz-Gerald had ordained the deacon of the Methodist Episcopal Church came the consecration of our Illinois Conference kindergarten deaconess, Miss Matilda Reeves. It was a beautiful afternoon, and as this pure, young woman took the vows of God upon her a holy calm seemed to fill the place like a benediction of peace. Our Deaconess Home and Orphanage, located at Urbana, Illinois, is in a flourishing condition, thirty-five little ones having been housed and fed and given an uplift toward a better life during the past year. One of the crying needs of our Conference is for more deaconess service, several of our pastors applying for a deaconess in their field for the period of six months, one presiding elder asking for one for a year in his district. This, of course, we had to refuse. You, my sisters, know why. Realizing that the demand exceeded the supply, the Illinois Conference Woman's Home Missionary Society decided to add its mite to the need of the hour, and pledged to support Miss Anna Ferguson, of Casey, Illinois, as its beneficiary at the Training-school at Washington this year. This work is very near the heart of every Conference which has its own Deaconess Home to arouse interest. May I take you in spirit to our Conference Home at Urbana, Illinois, and with me into the dining-room at the meal hour, and see and hear those poor, neglected, homeless, and in some cases worse than fatherless, little ones fold their tiny hands, and with childish voices lisp their invocation: "Lord, we thank thee for this food; keep us faithful, make us good, for Jesus' sake. Amen." Many of these little ones come from homes of the greatest poverty and deepest degradation. A number have confessed that they never heard the name of Jesus, except when used in a profane way. May this burden upon the Illinois Conference increase until, as a whole, we come up to the help of the Lord against the mighty! Thus summing up the year's work, there is much that has been done; but we are "hastening slowly," and trying to build upon the rock Christ Jesus. Pray for us, that closed doors may be opened, that crooked places be made straight, and that the Illinois Conference Woman's Home Missionary Society may prosper beyond expectations.

MRS. SARA E. KING, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

INDIANA CONFERENCE.

DURING the year twenty public meetings have been held in this Conference, a number of these receiving help from the counsel and addresses of Miss Durham, Miss Bancroft, Miss Dole, Miss Emerson, Mrs. Dale, Mrs. Albright, and Mrs. Robinson.

Our finances exceed the former year by one thousand dollars. One district now pays into the Treasury more than the entire Conference at the date of its organization into a Conference Society.

The Conference Anniversary was an occasion of unusual interest and profit, and during the time we had the rare privilege of presenting the deaconess work by Miss Durham to the lay delegates while in a body, and could you have seen some of the brethren slip silver dollars into her hands, saying, "God bless you," you would have felt that good work had been done.

The gathering of the International League in Indianapolis was an opportunity for sending broadcast our literature, and many thousand pages were distributed, these going to the remote places in our own country and Canada. Our deaconesses might be seen frequently going from point to point carrying great baskets full of literature, which was received eagerly by the people.

Our deaconess for the year, Cartes K. Swartz, has made a fine record as a visiting and parish deaconess, having won many to the Church and created a widespread influence for deaconess work. With the opening of our fiscal year we received two additions to our deaconess family, Lela Middleton and Miss Plumer. All are now comfortably located in a temporary home of eight rooms in a central part of the city.

The quarterly meetings of the Conference Board are held in Indianapolis. The ladies bring their lunch, and spend the entire day in the interest of he work. We sorrowfully record the lack of interest in renewals and additions to our list of subscribers to *Woman's Home Missions.*

The triumphs of the year have not been without its trials. We gratefully record each. The trials have been incentives to greater zeal, and our triumphs to higher ambitions. "The best part of every good person's life is out of sight, the noblest deeds unseen, the wisest thoughts unspoken, the sweetest song unsung." We have had repulses, but no positive defeats. We may not have done the best we should, but we have done the best we could.

MRS. A. V. P. ADAMS,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

LUCY A. WINGATE,
Assistant Corresponding Secretary.

IOWA CONFERENCE.

THOUGH I can not report great results, yet it is with unfeigned gratitude to God that I can record advancement in all departments of our work. Last year we crossed the thousand-dollar line in our cash gifts by much effort and urging, and we greatly feared that we would not be able to hold our ground; but God has been better than all our fears, and we have more than ten per cent advance over last year's cash receipts.

All of our obligations have been met, and we take up the duties of the new year with courage and faith. We welcome two new Auxiliaries and greet a number of new members. There has been a good increase in subscribers to *Woman's Home Missions* and *Children's Home Missions.* We are supporting beneficiaries in the following Homes: King, Jesse Lee, Mothers' Jewels, and Stickney; also a scholarship in Utah and a half Chinese scholarship in California; while we have contributed to the Immigrant Home, Ritter Home, Kent Home, Rust Hall, Bidwell Dea-

coness Home, and the Emergency Fund. We have also sent over five hundred dollars in supplies.

I am glad to report that there is a growing desire upon the part of our consecrated young people to enlist in this work. Four young ladies within our Conference bounds have offered themselves for missionaries, and one has gone to the National Training-school to prepare for deaconess work. Miss Amy Sellers, I presume, is now in the field at New Orleans, and, I doubt not, will give splendid service. I have already sent out letters to each Auxiliary, asking for a special Twentieth-century Offering, as well as urging a large Thank-offering.

There is a growing desire to establish a Deaconess Home within the bounds of our Conference. The Board of Nine was authorized by our Conference at its late session to secure a deaconess for the current year, and steps are being taken toward the beginning of a Home. I hope we will be able to secure one of our own deaconesses. I am impressed that if the future of the Woman's Home Missionary Society is to be what we wish it to be, one of the greatest agencies in evangelizing our own country, that we will have to give more help to the Bureau of Deaconess Work, and give more financial aid for the establishment of Homes.

The work of the young people does not grow as I could wish, but we have made some plans to give it special attention during the year. My ideal has not been attained. While there has been some success, there have also been some failures.

"Yet do I gather strength and hope anew,
For well I know Thy patient love perceives
Not what I did, but what I strove to do;
And though the full, ripe ears be sadly few,
Thou wilt accept my sheaves."

With this consolation the future is full of promise; so I go again to glean, knowing the Lord of the harvest will give grain.

MRS. LAVANDA G. MURPHY,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

KANSAS CONFERENCE.

THE Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Kansas Conference organization sends greetings!

We held the Annual Executive Meeting of this Conference in Atchison, May 17th and 18th, and in council together planned our work for the year.

We were given an afternoon at the Annual Conference of our Church. Mrs. Spurlock, of Mothers' Jewels Home, was present with us, giving words of good cheer and inspiration, bidding us Godspeed in the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

Our Conference President, Mrs. Elizabeth Parker, held missionary headquarters at her tent on the Bonner Springs Camp-meeting ground. Miss Macginnes, deaconess from Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school, tented with our President, lending a helpful hand in the services. Miss Macginnes is now serving the First Methodist Episcopal Church, Topeka.

We have a Conference Supply Secretary, Mrs. K. P. Snyder, of Kansas City. Much interest is manifested in this department of our work.

Our Conference organization has contributed to the following special objects: Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school; Fisk Training-school, Kansas City; Harwood Home, Mothers' Jewels Home, Jesse Lee Home (Hospital); Indian School, Dulce, New Mexico; Rust Hall, and Emer-

gency Fund. Adding to this our membership dues for General Fund and our estimated value of supplies, our disbursements have amounted to $1,371.

We claim a very small space in the noble records of work that have been achieved; but "for the love of Christ and in His Name" we have obeyed the command, "Go ye also into the vineyard."

MRS. ELLA AULD HANTHORN, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE.

OUR Conference is awakening more and more to the great need of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. We have Auxiliaries on each of the six districts. Their reports show that they are deeply interested in the work.

I made a trip through the State, and made a careful study of our territory. Our loyal women, assisted by the pastors, are working nobly. The burning of the Peck Home was, indeed, a great loss to us, and we do hope that the Society will see its way to rebuild it. Our women all over the State are alive to the need of such a Home. We hope that the Lord will open the hearts of the members of the Conference, and that they will once more come to our rescue.

We organized our Mothers' Jewel Legion Band last May. It has a membership of eighteen boys and girls. We meet every Tuesday at my home. We were proud to receive an assortment of books, papers, etc., from Mrs. J. P. Negus, of Northwest Iowa Conference.

One of our little members, a boy, while on his way to the store for his mother was run over by an electric-car, which necessitated the amputation of one of his legs. He is a smart little boy, and was the hope of his parents. They are poor, and unable to give him the training that will now prepare him for life. Any kind friend who would help this dear little boy to an education, would indeed shape a valuable instrument for the work of the Master.

At the Alexandria District Conference, at Washington, La., the Woman's Home Missionary Society held its anniversary. We had a crowded house, and much enthusiasm was manifested. Our work was well represented. Two of our sisters visited a sick white lady during the anniversary. They read the Scriptures, prayed with her, and left her rejoicing. The sisters made up a purse and left it with her. Before the meeting was over she sent for them again, and rejoiced with them in praises to God. She said, "God bless the Woman's Home Missionary Society!"

It was with the deepest sorrow that we received the sad news of the death of our dear friend, helper, and co-worker, Mrs. E. L. Rust. Words fail us in trying to express our grief. She had stood so nobly by our people in those dark days, striving to get the Woman's Home Missionary Society well organized. She will always be loved by us.

MRS. D. M. WALKER, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

MAINE CONFERENCE.

OUR Annual Report reminds us of the final summing up of life's work, and speaks loudly to us of care in gathering the largest fruitage into the garner of the Lord.

We are happy to note an increase of interest in all departments of work. Our President returned from the Annual Meeting in Minnesota with new enthusiasm, and through her voice the Churches heard the

echoes of the Convention. She has ably championed our work during the year. Our Conference Anniversary was favored with an address by Mrs. C. W. Gallagher, which was given in her attractive style to the enjoyment and profit of the audience. The money reported was $1,200, including the bequest from Mrs. Derby of $494.75. The amount of the supply offerings was $800, an increase of $100. We much regret that our supply agent, Miss Isabel Allen, who has so efficiently served us, is about to remove from the State; but the work will be well cared for by the new agent, Mrs. A. A. Lewis, of Gardiner. The $30 pledged for the Chinese work, and the $50 for the enlargement of the Thayer Home have been paid. The five dollars for Alaska has not yet been received. Mite-boxes have been utilized by ten Auxiliaries, besides quite a number of Mothers' Jewels boxes have been placed in the hands of interested children. Public meetings have been held with increased interest.

Our camp-meeting anniversaries have been very profitable. At the Poland meeting, Mrs. Howard Clifford addressed a good audience upon our work in the South, speaking with personal knowledge of the conditions there. East Livermore Camp-meeting has an Auxiliary which annually receives members and money. The address was by Rev. A. A. Lewis, of Gardiner, one of our good helpers. The service was both enjoyable and helpful, which, with his solo following, had a good effect upon hearts and pocket-books. The Strong Camp-meeting was addressed by the Conference Secretary, with an attentive audience and mercury at 98 in this Northland.

But the picture has its shadow. Mrs. B. Freeman, a devoted and loyal sister, has passed to her reward. She was numbered among our charter members, and served with unswerving fidelity as Secretary and in other positions of responsibility. Our paper has not the number of subscribers that it deserves. We appeal to all of our members to help give it a larger circulation. Knowledge, as well as zeal, is needed. Let us avail ourselves of all helps for the largest and most rapid extension of the kingdom of our Christ in such an eventful time as this.

MRS. SARAH F. PALMER,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

MICHIGAN CONFERENCE.

OUR last Annual Meeting was held the second week in November. Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk, our General President, was present, and gave an address full of needful information. Mrs. Beiler and Miss Bancroft also visited our Conference during the year. Five districts held their annual meetings during the months of April and May. Three Auxiliaries were organized during the year, and one Mission Band.

The circular letters and leaflets issued by the National Board were freely distributed to Auxiliaries and members. At the district meetings the Twentieth-century Thank-offering question was given time, and urgent requests made that all should take part in securing the additional twenty-five thousand members, and the two hundred thousand dollars thank-offering. The Executive Committee issued a call asking for five hundred ladies who should each give one dollar by the last of October (as this seemed within the reach of every one) as a starting-point. Thank-offering mite-boxes were also distributed. Our pledge last year for special work was $695. This was exceeded by nearly half that amount. Three hundred dollars of this was sent to the Treasury for Rust Hall, for the naming of two rooms—Miss Mary Riggins, from whose estate we received a bequest of $200 during the year. The other is to be named for Mrs. Ida A.

Plowman, our faithful Treasurer, who served us so well for eleven years, and who, because of change of residence to another State, resigned at the close of the fiscal year.

For the first time in the history of the Conference Society, death came into the ranks of the officers, and transferred Mrs. Wesley Sears, the Mite-box Secretary, from the earthly to the heavenly home. She was a lady of sterling character, zealous in the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, as well as in all other Church and benevolent interests.

Aldrich Memorial Deaconess Home and Training-school has had an unusually successful year. It received three donations of one hundred dollars each for the naming of rooms. More and more is it growing in interest and favor.

The year has not been one of abounding success; neither has it been a failure. The receipts were larger, by nearly one thousand dollars, than any year before. The interest in the work is also gradually increasing. This year is opening with prospects for large increase in Auxiliaries and members. The district officers are arranging for organizations in their respective fields. We are working, hoping, and praying that this may be a year of great prosperity in Michigan Conference.

MRS. LEVI, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

MINNESOTA AND NORTHERN MINNESOTA CONFERENCES.

THE work of our State in the two Conferences, Minnesota and Minnesota Northern, though still comparatively weak, has made a great record for the past year. The Annual Meeting of last year proved a benediction to many formerly uninterested, and we have gained eight Auxiliaries and two hundred new members, eight hundred in all. In Young Woman's Home Missionary Societies, of which we have five, excellent work has been done. These number more than one hundred members. We record more than one hundred and fifty Mothers' Jewels and a large number of tithers, as a result of work done by Mrs. J. B. Geggie.

We had a visit by Mrs. F. V. Chapman, who gave a delightful address at our Annual Meeting. Good results followed.

Dr. Beiler attended our recent Annual Conferences, and aroused deep interest generally. We received additional subscribers then to our excellent paper, and now have more than two hundred subscribers.

Our Auxiliaries gave toward supporting students, in whole or part, in King Home, $50; to Mothers' Jewels, $90; to Immigrant Work, $100; and to eleven other branches of our work, in less and greater sums, to the amount of $765, which includes among the above-mentioned, Oriental Work, Unalaska Hospital, Jesse Lee Home, Utah Mission, Mary Haven Home, Watts de Peyster, Ritter, Dulce, Marcy, Bancroft Rest Homes, and Rust Hall. In supplies, our field, covering Montana as well as our own State, we sent fur overcoats, pulpit suits, barrels of nice and valuable clothing, also household articles and $60 cash to Rev. Tull, of Richmond (scene of cyclone), amounting to about $1,200. Our year's work, as a whole, gives us an amount of $2,822, an increase of $1,085 over last year, more than doubled.

We are trusting that with the continued help of our Lord, who has strewn blessings all along our way, we may continue to abound in good works, for love of Christ and in His Name.

MRS. JOHN TAYLOR, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

MISSOURI CONFERENCE.

IT is with gratitude that we record the work of another year for the Woman's Home Missionary Society of Missouri Conference.

Results have not been what we desired they should be in the beginning of the year. The work in Missouri Conference is beset with many difficulties. There have been many things to retard our work. Lack of funds has sorely hindered us. We do so need a firmer hold on the hearts and minds of our people. We are glad to note that some of our ministers are inquiring into our work.

This has been a year of faithful seed-sowing. In hope we look forward to the ingathering.

Leaflets, Annual Reports, and copies of our papers have been distributed throughout the Conference.

Our Annual Meeting was held, as usual, in connection with our Annual Conference in March. An Annual Meeting apart from the Conference session has not yet become a realization. We hope that it soon may be.

We were very fortunate in having with us Mrs. B. S. Potter, who gave the Anniversary Address. It was a charmingly characteristic address, forcibly setting forth the aim and mission of our Society. Every one was more than pleased.

Mrs. Potter afterwards visited six charges in the Conference, awakening interest everywhere, and effecting three permanent organizations.

Mrs. Spurlock has twice this year lent to our Home the inspiration of her presence.

In April a great tornado swept the northeastern part of our Conference, leaving ruin and devastation over a large tract. The city of Kirksville, the home of our Conference Treasurer, where was one of our most enthusiastic Auxiliaries, was left in ruins.

A large amount of local work has been done this year in the Conference.

Our special work has been for Mothers' Jewels Home. Some excellent supplies of clothing and fruit were sent, and this winter much more will reach them. We have not realized our ideal in the work of the year; but our faith is stronger, our trust is deepened, in Him who has given us the privilege of laboring with Him in bringing the lost ones home. I pray God may arouse the women of Missouri Conference to a sense of their responsibility to this form of work, and send us at least a dozen consecrated women who will work and pray for the thorough organization of our work throughout the Conference. With this plea to Him that He may aid us to plan and execute wisely. We enter another year with fresh courage.

MRS. C. H. BLACK,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

NEBRASKA CONFERENCE.

DURING a drive this fall along a quiet country road we noted that some grain-fields showed thick stubble over broad acres,—an evidence that rich grains had been harvested. In other places, however, little patches lay by the roadside, and even crept into the dusty highway. As we were talking and planning for the Woman's Home Missionary Society as we rode, we could not but be quick to note that here lay a history of the Woman's Home Missionary Society year just closed.

The indications of a heavy harvest from broad acres have had their

fulfillment in many Conferences, we trust; and the unexpected happy incidents and remembrances of gifts have embellished the twelve months as did the bright dashes of crimson and yellow that had crept into the stubble through some leafy dress. But in making an honest summary for the Nebraska Conference, we must say that we can not be listed with such as these. Rather we must take our place in the stubble-patch by the roadside, obscure, and even unattractive with dust; but our hearts suddenly grew mellow like the autumn sunshine, for we remembered that when that grain was harvested and cradled together, no man could tell from which place it came. If planted another year, the dusty grains will bear as richly in the broad fields as the others. If converted into food, they will equally nourish, grain for grain. So, nothing loath, we will send in our harvest; and, though small, we are glad it is alike good with yours. We can usually find a relief from our Conference smallness by turning our eyes towards the Mothers' Jewels Home; for in that we are assured that our "National Mother" has force, capacity, and resources, if, as a Conference, we are lacking. We are justly proud that we call the same mother ours who can bear to the world such children. The name of this Home grows constantly nearer and dearer to the heart of Western Methodism. It takes years to give public confidence in any enterprise, and with satisfaction we note that the world's eye wears a look of trust as it rests upon us.

Fresh paint on the farm cottage, a new coat of white on the beds, an extension of porch, an enlargement to our hitherto cramped and hot laundry, makes of us a far more comely picture for the world to view; while the knowledge that this has been paid for by little economies and self-denials, and much of the work done by the boys in the Home, helps us who are interested to see much more of intrinsic worth than the world can catch at a look.

Over a hundred children handled during the year, the measles scourge met and baffled, and caring now for a family of eighty-five little ones, means no small task; but thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Spurlock and the faithful helpers, all is harmony, and the family is happy.

This Home is yours. We are only numbered among its many custodians. Let its gracious influences reach far enough to give us as a Conference an incentive to live, and to ask you that "you with us pray that even this year before us our fields may be extended, and " seed-scatterers" be found.

MRS. ANNIE HOBBS WOODCOCK,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

NEWARK CONFERENCE.

The work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society in the Newark Conference during the past year has been marked by a steady growth of intelligent interest. This has not been indicated by a large increase of membership (though three new Auxiliaries have been formed); but the officers of the Society have noted in every place to which their duties have called them during the year the devotion of those who are working in this field for the love of Christ and in His Name.

Our Conference Anniversary was of great interest; not only because it was held in old Halsey Street Church—the mother Church of Methodism in Newark—but also on account of the consecration service for deaconesses, when several of these devoted women were set apart by the presiding bishop to the work of a deaconess in the Church of Christ.

Miss Iva May Durham, deaconess-at-large, first captured the hearts of the large audience by her sweet songs, and then completed her conquest by a stirring address on "Deaconess Work." Miss Durham has, during the last winter, visited many of the Churches of our Conference, and spoken in many of their pulpits. The result of her efforts is shown in the enlargement of view in regard to deaconess work and its great possibilities.

The four District Meetings were full of good things; for the women came up to them with their hearts full of the work, to report what had been done, and plan for greater efforts in the future.

Our Camp-meeting Anniversary at Camp Tabor was wisely planned and successfully carried on. It was made especially interesting and helpful by an object-lesson in the work of the Society in the Southland. The sweet grace and beauty with which one of the young girls who has been trained in our Home in Savannah rendered a song called "The Bridal of the Flowers," showed that time and money are not wasted in cultivating the esthetic nature of our dark sisters.

The Annual Meeting of the Conference, held October 6, 1899, was the most largely attended of any for many years, and this in spite of a most disagreeable storm. Such days try the mettle of our members (for no woman enjoys a wetting), and yet many faced that prospect in order to carry on the business of the Society. After careful and prayerful consideration by those who have charge of the deaconess work in our Conference, it has been thought best to open a Home in Newark, thus giving us two centers of deaconess effort. By this action we shall reach the two largest cities of the State with this arm of missionary work, as we have had for more than two years past a Home in Jersey City. Newark, as the metropolis of the State, has seemed to many to present a large field for our Woman's Home Missionary work; and we hope, by means of this twofold effort, to reach with helpful care the many unchurched and neglected of our teeming city populations. We look for grand and good results from this enlargement of the work.

The supply work of the Conference Society has been vigorously pushed during the past year, and the result is an increase in value of goods sent. Our Secretary of Supplies, Mrs. J. I. Boswell, has brought to this department the knowledge gained by long service as Conference Corresponding Secretary and a love of the work founded on a sense of the great needs of our frontier pastors and Industrial Homes. So we report a grand total of $2,591.46 in value of supplies sent to ten of our Homes and twenty-four ministers in eight Conferences.

We believe the increase of knowledge and love of the work is largely due to the circulation of our papers, of which we report an increase in the list of both *Woman's* and *Child's Home Missions*. Not nearly as many are taken as should be, when we consider how powerful an agency for good they may become in spreading missionary intelligence among our members; but we are coming to the light, and shall work for the day when every one of our women shall read our Church and missionary paper.

At the National Meeting in Minneapolis last year we pledged for the Newark Conference nearly double the amount contributed in previous years for the various departments of the work, as presented to our consideration at the meetings of the Finance Committee. This was done with fear and trembling, as we knew large sums would be needed for the deaconess work of the Conference; yet we could not forget the needs of the work in our various industrial homes, which are so largely dependent upon the steady gifts of the Auxiliaries to enable them to keep open their doors, and continue their helpful aid to the needy around

them. We are very glad to report that practically all of the enlarged sum thus pledged has been paid. All the beneficiaries (six in number) supported by our Auxiliaries in former years are still the objects of their gifts; and we hope never to take a backward step in this or any other good work. We have also contributed toward the heating of Watts de Peyster Home and to Rust Hall, which we hope will soon stand as a memorial of our dear Mrs. Rust, who has so lately gone to her reward.

The Mite-boxes and Emergency Fund have been remembered in our gleanings. The last-named we note with pleasure as a steadily-decreasing factor in our economy.

We are saddened by the death of our fellow-worker, Mrs. Rust. So closely was she identified with the work and the workers that every Conference Corresponding Secretary felt her inspiring influence. Her ready words of approbation and good cheer which followed the receipt of our quarterly reports endeared her to us all; and we understood that we were individual factors in the work in which she was so greatly interested. May her mantle fall upon those with whom, for so many years of faithful and successful labor, she was associated! Let us follow her beautiful example of devotion to our Society and earnest labor for Christ and those for whom He died.

MRS. CHARLES E. HILL,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

NEW ENGLAND CONFERENCE.

New England Conference comes up to this Eighteenth Annual Meeting, rejoicing in another year of work upon which the blessing of God has rested. Four thousand eight hundred and nineteen dollars, an increase of two hundred dollars over last year, has passed through its treasury, to be disbursed in the various fields. It has helped to support the work in King, Browning, Bennett, Ritter, Stickney, Harwood, Watts de Peyster, Asheville, Jesse Lee, Dulce, and Mothers' Jewels Homes; shared in sustaining the work for Orientals in California; added to the Emergency Fund, and in a small sum to the building of Rust Hall, in addition to the work within our own Conference limits. The Immigrant Home every year reaches out a helping hand to increasing numbers; for its ministry is not confined to its primary work of assisting those just landed upon our shores. A large neighborhood work is conducted as well. The children are anxious in the fall for the reopening of the sewing-school, and bring with them the younger sisters who are old enough to join. Even the small boys want to come. Here we see a mission within a mission; for some of the children are enrolled as Mothers' Jewels. At the time of the annual sale in the spring the children gave an entertainment; and as a part of the exercises the mite-box, as is the weekly custom, was brought out, and the visitors were all invited to march by the altar of the chapel, contributing their mites, while the children sang, "Hear the pennies dropping." Then the children made their gifts as the song was continued by their elders. Thus as they were learning that to give is more blessed than to receive, five dollars was gathered for the work in Alaska. Surely the reverent blessing asked by Mrs. Clark upon the offering must have left its impress upon the young hearts. Miss Lillian Huff has continued as the efficient assistant of the faithful superintendent, Mrs. A. C. Clark, during the year. Many difficult cases among the immigrants have been adjusted by Mrs. Clark. One mother was made most happy when,

through the painstaking care of the superintendent, her child, at first pronounced idiotic, was proved to be only shy and awkward under examination in a strange tongue. Temperance work is also carried on by Mrs. Clark. The expenses of the Home for the year have been $1,527.

The Medical Mission, still under the superintendence of its devoted and self-sacrificing founder, Prof. Harriette J. Cooke, is increasing in usefulness as it grows in favor with the people of its neighborhood. Miss Newell, who assisted Prof. Cooke during the year, has been temporarily loaned to the Epworth Settlement. For a time she did the work of nurse, which position is at present filled by Miss Jennie Hillman. The people of the neighborhood are largely Italian; and to facilitate intercourse with those who are not English-speaking, Prof. Cooke has, at her own expense, secured for three months the services of a young Italian woman who was trained in Rome, and has worked for five years successfully in Chicago. The cost of the Medical Mission for the year has been $1,093. The value of supplies sent has been $3,139. At the Conference Anniversary in April, Dr. Iliff, of Utah, thrilled a crowded house by his powerful speech upon Mormonism. We were honored and inspired by a visit from our General President, Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk, at our quarterly-meeting in January.

At our Annual Meeting, October 5th and 6th, an admirable address was given by Miss Van Marter, of Newark, N. J. As a new and interesting feature of the meeting an hour was given to "Young People's Work." Reports and different phases of the work were presented by youthful representatives of the various Circles and Bands. Several new organizations have been formed among the young people, and the number of Mothers' Jewels largely increased.

A bequest of $7,200 has been received by the Malden Auxiliary through the will of Mrs. Cox, of that city. It is indeed the love of Christ and in His Name that all our work is wrought.

MRS. SARAH WYMAN FLOYD,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

NEW ENGLAND SOUTHERN CONFERENCE.

AS THE years come and go, the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the New England Southern Conference still goes on, with added interest and numbers. From the interesting and instructive meeting of the National Society in Minneapolis last October the delegates returned, having pledged to the Emergency Fund, Mothers' Jewels Home, Alaska beneficiary, Alaska hospital work, Hawaiian work, Rust Hall, Camden Plantation work, and King Home. The New London Auxiliary has also paid pledge to Rest Home, Ocean Grove. All of these pledges, and more, have been paid.

Early in the year, Miss Durham, our deaconess-at-large, visited and spoke to several of our Auxiliaries, all of whom enjoyed her very much; and the work she did was productive of good results. In March our National President, Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk, spoke in Norwich and New London. Fifteen new members were added to the Norwich Auxiliary, and six new members to the New London Auxiliary. Eight "groups" have been formed during the year through the work of our Conference President, Mrs. F. J. Everett. All of the Methodist Churches of New Bedford have been visited in the interest of Mothers' Jewels. Large Bands have been formed in connection with either Junior League or Primary Department of the Sunday-school in each Church.

At a District Convention a processional of these children, wearing

badges, carrying flags, and singing Miss Lathbury's beautiful hymn, "Rise, O Christian Children," aroused great enthusiasm. During the year two bequests of one hundred dollars each have been received through our Conference Society—one for Camden, and the other for the General Fund. This Conference, by the suggestion of Mrs. Everett, has formed a floating Auxiliary to the Woman's Home Missionary Society, to be called "The Lucy Hayes Memorial," to which may belong all who desire to help the cause by the payment of annual dues, and who do not wish to join a local Auxiliary, or are located where there is no Auxiliary. A lady was appointed and authorized to record all names sent her, and receipt for any money received, which she passes on to our Treasurer.

We hope to add many names to our lists, and continue to enlarge our work.

MRS. J. A. SOUTHARD,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

NEW HAMPSHIRE CONFERENCE.

WHILE all we hoped to do at the beginning of the year has not been accomplished, yet we are holding our own, and the Woman's Home Missionary Society has many warm friends in the New Hampshire Conference.

The work of the year was somewhat embarrassed by the resignation, at the end of the first quarter, of the newly-elected Conference Corresponding Secretary, who found that circumstances beyond her control made it impossible for her to serve.

It was also found to be inexpedient to send a delegate to the meeting at Minneapolis; and we have missed the inspiration that those who attend these meetings receive, and on their return infuse into those who remain at home.

All the departments of our work have received attention, some with more marked success than others.

Our pledges for the year have been met, and through them our interest increased for the work in Hawaii, Alaska, Watts de Peyster Home, and several Homes in the South.

At the Conference session, held at Lancaster, in the extreme northern part of the State, Mrs. C. W. Gallagher was our Anniversary speaker. Her address was most helpful, and received the hearty commendations of the preachers, as well as our own workers. There are six camp-meetings within the bounds of our Conference, at five of which our work was represented. Miss Mosher did most excellent service at Claremont and Wilmot. At Hedding two services were held—one for the children's work, conducted by Mrs. F. O. Tyler, superintendent of Mothers' Jewels, and an evening service, addressed by Prof. Harriette Cooke, superintendent of the Medical Mission, Boston, and Miss Mary Lunn, suprintendent of Deaconess Home, Boston. At Wing and Groveton the work was represented in an interesting and helpful way by our Conference President, Mrs. L. D. Bragg.

The Annual Meeting was held at Concord, October 6th. One feature of the program was a model Auxiliary meeting, subject, "Mormonism," using the plan as found in the May number of *Woman's Home Missions*. Much interest was manifested, and the work of circulating the petition in the matter of the anti-polygamist amendment was pledged by many present.

Although a decrease was reported by our Treasurer from last year, the faith of the ladies was so strong that they pledged for the coming year one hundred dollars more for special work than ever before.

In response to our request, Mrs. Gallagher was given a place on the program of the New Hampshire Conference Epworth League Convention, held at Tilton, October 4th and 5th, to represent our work, and addressed the students of the Conference Seminary at Tilton. She also gave the evening address at our Annual Meeting. This work of Mrs. Gallagher was highly appreciated.

With a new Conference Corresponding Secretary, who can give more time to the work, we expect to do more efficient work in this part of the vineyard "for love of Christ, and in His Name."

MRS. G. M. CURL,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

NEW JERSEY CONFERENCE.

THE women of New Jersey Conference who are loyal to the cause of Woman's Home Missions have, during the year, made as aggressive effort for the work as the conditions would allow.

Pastors are not always willing to give us a hearing, and because of this, with Isaiah, we can say, "Israel doth not know; my people doth not consider." At our Conference Anniversary, our hitherto very acceptable helper, Mrs. Mary Leonard Woodruff, excelled herself, and, we believe, laid the foundation for the new Society that we expect to organize in Atlantic City during the coming month in the Church where the Conference was held. Our Annual Meeting was another inspiring occasion, where Dr. Iliff, before an audience of fifteen hundred people, told of the menacing power of Mormonism, and the great helpfulness of the Woman's Home Missionary Society along educational lines. At Ocean City our speakers were Mrs. Jennie Fowler Willing, of New York, and Miss Thornborough, of Kent Home, North Carolina. We also were greatly assisted by the summer resident members of Philadelphia Conference, Mesdames Palen and Kynett.

A scheme has been presented to the Conference Societies for naming a room at Bancroft Rest Home, Ocean Grove. The idea is a pleasing one to the workers, and no doubt the necessary funds will soon be forthcoming. District meetings have been regular; officers are faithful and efficient; and we propose, under Divine guidance, to do our best for the coming year.

MRS. G. M. P. WELLS,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

NEW YORK CONFERENCE.

WE record "the story of another year" in the annals of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the New York Conference with grateful hearts. We are an enthusiastic, happy band of workers; and the measure of the Father's blessing during the past year has been "compound interest on every investment" in His service of time, talent, love, or money. "Good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over," is the measure of blessing that has been poured upon the Homes within the bounds of our Conference—the Immigrant Girls' Home and the Watts de Peyster Home, at Tivoli, on the Hudson. These noble institutions under the local care of our Conference Board are held in the highest esteem in New York and vicinity, and are a crown of glory to Methodism, as well as to the Woman's Home Missionary Society. The Conference Board meetings, held monthly at 150 Fifth Avenue,

under the wise, strong leadership and presidency of Mrs. Mary Fisk Park, are a "tower of strength." At these meetings the pledges made at the Annual Meeting are fully presented and discussed; and thus the Auxiliaries are reached, and take their share of the responsibility, enabling us, year after year, to come with the glad note, "Pledges fully met."

The grand total reported by our Treasurer this year is $4,755.13, an increase of more than $1,000 over the previous year.

Our Annual Meeting, held in Calvary Methodist Episcopal Church, New York, in March, and our Conference Anniversary in April at Newburg, New York, were wonderful gatherings, popular in attendance and favor, and *effectual in results*. Mrs. Chas. W. Gallagher, General Organizer, gave a strong address in the interests of the work of our Society at the seat of the Conference.

We are a strong "supply" Conference. The increase in both 1897 and 1898 in this department was five hundred dollars. This year our successful Secretary of Supplies, Mrs. J. T. Baird, writes, "I am not ashamed of my report this year, and I am sure you will not be, $5,294.53 being the total (an increase of $844.25), which gain will, we trust, enable us to continue to hold the banner among the Conferences."

Secretaries of Mite-boxes and Young People's Work are doing good work, and we hope to bring up these departments in our Conference. But, after all, the brightest spot in the year's history is the organization of several new Auxiliaries (among them St. Paul's and Metropolitan Temple, New York), also several Bands of Watts de Peyster Jewels, and, in connection with these, a fair increase of subscriptions to both *Woman's* and *Children's Home Missions*.

We come to the annual accounting of the harvest with the exclamation from glad hearts, "Hitherto the Lord hath helped us!"

MRS. J. W. CAMPBELL,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

NEW YORK EAST CONFERENCE.

WE come at the close of another year, bearing greetings from New York East Conference, and bringing in our hearts and on our tongue a note of praise and a song of thanksgiving. "All the way the Lord has led us."

As a Conference we were never so in love with the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, and could never boast of so many warm and true friends for our cause, as at the present time.

Our Auxiliaries are enthusiastic over their work, and faithful in the performance of it, while the Churches outside are, one by one, becoming interested.

Our Treasurer's annual report shows an increase of nine hundred dollars over last year's, many Churches where we are not yet organized contributing toward the amount.

Though situated in the midst of two great cities, where the imperative need of local effort presses itself upon us on every side, we have not neglected the general work or the needy fields beyond. Alaska, King Home, Simpson Home, Tivoli, Haven Home, Immigrant work in New York City, Marcy Home in Chicago, Rest Home, Rust Hall, and Hawaii have all shared in our contributions, we having exceeded our pledges to these special fields by $120. We have sent to the Emergency Fund $150, to Salary Fund $66, and to the General Fund $797.27, besides raising for our own Deaconess Home nearly $4,000.

Our faithful Secretary of Supplies reports $2,912.92 worth of supplies sent to the frontier and our different Homes, a great part of which have been new articles.

Our all-day Conference meetings, which we hold four times a year, have been times of refreshing and uplift. Mrs. Fisk has been with us twice; and at our May meeting Mrs. L. P. Dunton stirred our hearts by a recital of her work in Orangeburg, North Carolina; and the boys of Claflin Glee Club charmed us with their songs.

At our Conference Anniversary, held at Mt. Vernon, New York, Mrs. C. W. Gallagher made a fine address, and won for us one of the largest collections we have ever taken, while our National President cheered us by her ever-welcome presence and encouraging words.

Mrs. M. L. Woodruff, who always does us good, has spoken several times in some of our largest Churches, where she has captured hearts for Home Mission work both by word and song.

One of our districts—the New York District—has just been reorganized with a new list of officers, who are taking hold of their work in a way which promises well for the future.

Ruskin says, The path of a good woman is indeed strewn with flowers; but they rise behind her steps, and not before them.

So we pray that, as we tread this difficult field, in our footsteps may spring the flowers of truth, which shall make these cities to blossom as the rose, and which shall be for the healing of the Nation.

MRS. CLARA H. CARHART,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

NORTHERN NEW YORK CONFERENCE.

THE past year has been one of activity in the Northern New York Conference for the cause of missions. Last November, Mrs. B. S. Potter, General Organizer, visited our Conference, and there was an addition of about three hundred members as a result of her labors. Much additional work has been accomplished by the Conference officers. Our President, Mrs. A. Bramley, has made addresses, organized Auxiliaries, and spent more time and effort than heretofore. Addresses were made at all of our camp-meetings, and Home Missionary literature distributed among our people.

Our District Meetings have been largely attended, and were addressed by the President, Mrs. Bramley, and other of the Conference officers, and by Mrs. N. W. Bass, of Cazenovia, New York, who have worked, organizing Auxiliaries, and strengthening the cause of Home Missions in different parts of the Conference. The Conference Anniversary was held at Camden, New York, April 22, 1899. Mrs. Anna F. Beiler made the address. We received, on this occasion, a gift of a beautiful Conference banner from Mrs. T. L. Benham, of Utica, New York.

By the bequest of Mrs. Harriet E. Lewis, of Madison, N. Y., the Society received one thousand dollars.

Miss Alice Blanchard, who received training at the Folts Mission Institute, Herkimer, N. Y., has gone as a missionary to Mt. Pleasant, Utah.

A systematic effort was made on the "Twentieth-century Offering," and a number of Auxiliaries have a place on the "Honor Roll." The November "Thank-offering Service" was generally observed, as was also the "Day of Humiliation and Prayer" in February. Of the amounts

pledged a year ago, many have exceeded, while one or two have fallen below. Rust Hall, Lucy Webb Hayes National Training-school, Ritter Home, Simpson Home, King Home, Bennett Home, Immigrant Home, Watts de Peyster Home, Dulce Mission, and Alaska Hospital have received the substantial benefits. The other beneficiaries of our Society have also received aid from our Conference during the year. All the energies of our Conference organization have been in activity during the past year, with gratifying success. We have a large increase in membership, an increased subscription list to *Woman's Home Missions* and to *Children's Home Missions.*

We never had so many members, we never did as much for the cause, and our people generally never had as just appreciation of the work and responsibility of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

Our Conference officers have done more work than ever before during a year, especially the Conference President, and the results are shown in increased membership, increased contributions, and increased influence of our Conference Society.

MRS. I. L. HUNT,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

NORTH INDIANA CONFERENCE.

WITH sincere gratitude we are again permitted to record that the past year has been the best in the history of our Conference. The facilities for information are enlarged, and, as a consequence, our people understand better the fields cultivated, the plans of operation, and the blessed results. Knowledge of the work always enlists hearty interest and corresponding contributions.

We highly appreciate the encouragement and hearty co-operation of our ministers. They assist us, giving us their pulpits for public services, and they are giving our Society a place on their District Conference programs. They provided us two pages in their Conference Minutes, besides a column in their statistical reports.

Public meetings have been held throughout the Conference, which has strengthened the Auxiliaries; quite a number are on the "Roll of Honor."

Seven Auxiliaries and one Band have been organized during the year. An unusual interest has been manifested at our district meetings, and the special work for the coming year was considered and pledges secured.

Our *Woman's Home Missions* and *Children's Home Missions* were brought to the attention of the Auxiliaries, and promises of over one hundred new subscribers were obtained.

The work of the deaconess has been given a more prominent place on our programs. Miss Lou Johnson, a field deaconess, has spent a few weeks in our Conference, and has very clearly and comprehensively defined the work, winning for it many friends. The Indianapolis Deaconess Home will find a fruitage from the month spent by Miss Johnson within our borders.

The Articles of Association of the Methodist Episcopal Hospital and Deaconess Home of the State of Indiana were adopted by the Conference. We anticipate that from this Home will radiate influences which will more fully and intelligently bring the general work of our Society to the attention of our State Methodism, with beneficial results.

The Conference Anniversary in April, held at Decatur, was largely attended, and excellent in spirit. Addresses were delivered by Miss Cartes K. Swartz, deaconess from Indianapolis, and Miss Jennie Scott, of

Pennsylvania, Field Secretary of the Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society. She spoke entertainingly of the successes, and eloquently pleaded for help in our work in the Southland. The audience was not only pleased, but a deeper interest was aroused, and results must follow.

We have aided beneficiaries in the following Homes: Mothers' Jewels, Bennett, Jesse Lee, Harwood, Thayer. Donations have been made to the Emergency Fund, Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school, Oriental; Rest Home, Ocean Grove; Rust Hall, Dulce for school-desks; ten pledge cards with ten dollars each for Rust Hall.

Have paid salary of Miss Flora Mitchel, missionary at Thayer Home, Atlanta, Georgia. This last item was paid from mite-box collections. Many barrels of supplies have been sent to our Homes and frontier ministers.

Our special days have been observed quite generally, and have proved to be helpful. Our Annual Meeting will be held the 8th and 9th of November, which will give opportunity to have the reports from the National Meeting, which, we trust, will aid in planning the work to meet our pledges for the coming year.

We are greatly encouraged and delighted with the continual growth of our Conference Society, and are looking hopefully to the future.

MRS. L. H. BUNYAN, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

NORTH NEBRASKA CONFERENCE.

IN making this report for the North Nebraska Conference, we feel that we have sufficient cause for special thankfulness to God for his providential care during the year. The work has been carried on throughout all the districts, and some new interest manifested.

Mrs. Della C. Geggie attended our Annual Meeting, held in South Omaha in June, and visited several of the charges on the Omaha District.

Two new Auxiliaries, three Queen Esther Circles, and four Tithing Circles were organized. Nearly all the Auxiliaries are now doing active work. Our Treasurer's report shows an increase of $135 over last year.

Our special work has been mostly for the Mothers' Jewels Home, and the devoted, self-sacrificing men who are laboring on the frontier in our own State. Hearts have lightened, burdens lifted, and donors, as well as recipients, have been blessed.

We have also given to Rust Hall, Alaska Hospital, and Dulce Mission.

Miss Nellie Stevens, of Omaha, has gone out from our Conference to take the nurse-deaconess course in the National Training-school at Washington.

We look forward to the work of another year with renewed courage and enthusiasm, trusting with faith and prayer to accomplish greater things "in His Name."

MRS. E. P. MURRAY,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

Reported by MRS. J. A. JOHNSON.

NORTH OHIO CONFERENCE.

THE year has not been marked by especial advance. Our organizations have kept loyally at their work, and our officers have done faithful service. Our pledges have been more than met. Our President's enthusiasm for the Bennett Home has been communicated to our societies, calling out many a dollar and many a prayer for the new building. Be-

sides this, we have given some help to Allen, Rust, Ritter, and Haven, to our Orientals, Immigrants, Alaska, and our deaconess work.

Our Annual Meeting was held last November, at Wooster, Ohio. A large number of delegates were present, and we had an unusually spirited program. The first evening was given to an address by Mrs. Beiler. What she had seen with her own eyes was so clearly depicted, that we almost felt that we ourselves had made the journey to Alaska. The next evening, Mrs. Dr. Fisher spoke most eloquently for us of our work in general.

By invitation, our Treasurer, Mrs. Delia Lathrop Williams, presided over our Conference Anniversary held in September at Asbury Church, Delaware, Ohio. Her skill as a presiding officer was felt through the afternoon's exercises. Miss McIlmoyl, whose face and words are every year welcomed by our ministers, aroused intenser interest in our deaconess work by the relation of her own thrilling experiences. Miss Bancroft followed with an admirable address, and our Conference President concluded the program with most fitting words.

In days when results looked for have not come, a sense of the grandeur of the work has lifted us above discouragement. We have felt

> "Called into service which the angels share,
> To fellowship with Christ's own ministry."

Dr. Storrs most beautifully says: "The passion of love for Christ stimulated by everything that we read or hear, quickened by the Spirit in our hearts, is the power that is to loosen amassed wealth and make it fluent; that is to vitalize dead wealth and make it active; that is to enter into every languid heart and inspire it for service." We crave for our Conference this passion of love.

MRS. A. D. KNAPP,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

NORTHWEST INDIANA CONFERENCE.

THE Woman's Home Missionary Society in the Northwest Indiana Conference is on a firmer basis than any time since its organization. The past year has been one of growth and encouragement in our work, under the wise management and earnest labors of our Conference and District officers. There has been greater interest taken by our members, and our efforts have been greatly blessed by our Heavenly Father. We have a few new Auxiliaries who are enthusiastic in the work, and an encouraging outlook for the coming year for a number of others.

Our Annual Meeting was held last November at Frankfort, Indiana. It was a pronounced success. Our districts are all organized and well officered. All, save one, have held district meetings that were inspiring and uplifting.

In August we held a meeting at our Conference camp-meeting, that did much good in distributing missionary intelligence and awakening some of our people into the work.

The Day of Humiliation and Prayer was observed by some of our Auxiliaries in union meetings.

The mite-boxes are finding a way into more of our homes than any time previous. Two hundred distributed the past year.

Our Anniversary Meeting was held during our Annual Conference. Miss Iva May Durham, our deaconess at large, delighted our large audience with her sweet singing and soul-stirring talk. We were also favored

with Misses Swartz and Middleton, two of our deaconesses from our Indianapolis Home; an address by Rev. Dr. Lasby, that awakened our ministers to our cry, "Let us into the Churches, that we may awaken our sisters to this work for new Auxiliaries."

We will give liberally to our new Deaconess Home and Hospital in Indianapolis, that will be opened the coming year.

There is a small increase in the subscription for the *Woman's Home Missions.*

We thank God for his leading, claim the promises, and take courage.

MRS. D. M. WOOD,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

NORTHWEST KANSAS CONFERENCE.

OUR cause is looking up, and we feel encouraged. We are held back from doing some things, because of expense, that I believe would be of profit to us. My heart is in the work, and I would like to do more if I could.

We have in our Conference seven Auxiliaries, with about 117 members, 16 honorary members among the ministers, and 17 copies of *Home Missions* are taken.

MRS. ISAIAH MCDOWELL,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

OHIO CONFERENCE.

I BRING greetings and glad tidings from the Ohio Conference, and take pleasure in reporting a successful year's work. Our membership shows a slight increase. Several ladies were made life members during the year, and two became honorary managers. One new Auxiliary has been organized. Conference and district organizations are in a flourishing condition, and are happy in their work. In the Columbus District the deaconess work has received much attention.

During the month of January, Mrs. Beiler and Miss Iva May Durham came to Columbus, and held a series of delightful meetings in the interest of the work, the ultimate object being the establishment of a Deaconess Home in this city.

At a meeting of the Executive Board, held on June 28th, it was decided that the work should be started. A Committee on Advisory Board was appointed, and this committee selected from one to three from each Church in the city as members of this Board. Committees on Finance, Real Estate, and Furnishings have been appointed. Four rooms have been secured, rent free. One deaconess is on the field, ready to begin the kindergarten work, and another will come as soon as sent for. Thus the good work begins. Supplies amounting to $1,445.46 were sent out during the year.

We expect a greatly-increased membership during the coming year on account of the healthy and hopeful business conditions of our section, so close is the relationship between the temporal and the spiritual.

MRS. D. J. RYAN,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

PHILADELPHIA CONFERENCE.

WE find, in reviewing the work of the last year in this Conference, that no backward steps have been taken. Two Auxiliaries disbanded through changes in some of the city Churches; but we have two new, strong ones in their places, and there has been some increase in membership.

We are supporting a large deaconess work, with twelve, and sometimes more, deaconesses constantly employed. One of these meets the incoming vessels, and, so far as possible, looks after the women and girls who land friendless in our city. There are many touching incidents that come under our notice in connection with her work, and deep gratitude is often manifested by those who are aided. Through this agency large numbers of Bibles and Testaments are distributed in different languages, and the seed of the kingdom is sown in many hearts that we believe will bring forth fruit to the glory of God. Miss Liming, another deaconess, is now giving all her time to Italian work, and has under her charge a very interesting and rapidly growing mission. We feel that we can not any longer stand aloof from the sixty thousand Italians in our city, but must help in breaking to them the bread of life. A young Italian woman, who has become a Protestant, is coming into the Deaconess Home, both for protection from the persecution she is suffering, and for instruction in English. She is well educated, and was a teacher in Italy, and by this means we hope to have her ready to enter the Training-school in Washington next year, thus fitting her to be a worker among her own people.

The lunch-room that was carried on for some years has been discontinued, as the room was needed for the growing deaconess family and for industrial classes. It will give opportunity for more active missionary work along different lines. Arrangements are being made to supply hot soup at very low rates to the suffering poor of the neighborhood during the winter months. The names of those who purchase it will be taken, and by this means our workers hope to gain access to many homes from which they are now debarred.

During the hot weeks of summer very many poor children and mothers have been given outings in the country, through the generosity of friends, and accompanied by one or more of the deaconesses.

Though we have this large, engrossing home work that might well absorb our energies, we do not forget that we owe a duty to the other departments of the work of this Society, and we try to keep in living touch and helpful sympathy with all so far as possible. We have given generously to Rust Hall, Rest Home, the Training-school, the general deaconess work, the Emergency Fund, and the enlargement of Thayer Home. We have supported a teacher in Haven Home, and a beneficiary in each of the four Homes, Thayer, Simpson, Ritter, and Haven. We have also made contributions to Unalaska Hospital, the Utah work, Mothers' Jewels Home, and Watts de Peyster. Our supplies have gone to our Indian missions, to Utah, to the Homes in the South, and to ministers in the South and West. We believe the work of this Society is the most important work placed in the hands of the Methodist women of this country, and we try to make that belief practical through our works. We might pile up statistics of visits made to jails and hospitals, of visits made to the sick in soul and body, of industrial classes held, of children placed in safe institutions, etc.; but lists of facts are only bare skeletons, and can never convey to any one a true idea of the life and soul of an organization, and it is enough to say that we are about our Master's business, and trying to win his sweet approval, "inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these ye have done it unto Me."

MRS. ELIZABETH PALEN, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

PITTSBURG CONFERENCE.

THE year just closed has been the most steadily prosperous one of our existence as a Society. Four new Auxiliaries have been organized, two dying ones revived, and more than one hundred additional members have been secured in those already formed.

In our "Coke Field" we have employed not only our two regular workers during the months of May, June, and July, but also have had a Bohemian Bible-reader at work for the past eight or nine months, who is having marked success in awakening deep spiritual interest among the foreign-born women and girls in this benighted region.

In our Deaconess Home we have eight workers, including two who are engaged in our Travelers' Aid work at Union Station. We have not only supported this Home, but have paid off the last thousand dollars of our indebtedness on our building, and our Treasurer has now in her possession ten dollars as a nucleus for a fund to establish a Methodist Widows' Home for the Pittsburg Conference in the near future. We have supported two beneficiaries; one in Kent Home, and one in Ritter Home. We have distributed many thousand pages of Home Mission literature. We have sent over two thousand dollars worth of supplies, including nine dollars contributed by one enthusiastic Auxiliary, for the purchase of one of the elastic fur coats spoken of by Mrs. Dale last year, the coats which do equally well for a small man five feet, or a tall man six feet high. We do not feel that we have all the subscribers to our two papers that we ought to have and can have. Our Auxiliary Secretaries have pledged themselves already for twenty more of each of these during the coming year, and we hope to quadruple the number before the end of it; in fact, this year's work might be summed up in more intelligence, more interest, more members, more money.

MRS. M. J. SCHOYER,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

PUGET SOUND CONFERENCE.

THE work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of Puget Sound Conference has this year far exceeded our expectations.. This has been the best year of its existence. There has been more interest taken and more intelligent work done than ever before, and the prospects are bright for the future.

The Annual Meeting was held in New Whatcom, Wash., September 14, 1899, with a goodly attendance. Our President and Organizer, Mrs. Sulliger, has done a great deal of hard work this year, and the success of our Society is largely due to her efforts. The report of the Corresponding Secretary showed that the membership from last year was very nearly double. There have been eighteen new Auxiliaries organized; also several Bands. The Treasurer's report showed an increase of two hundred and fifty dollars over last year.

We have enlarged our work for the coming year, taking two beneficiaries in Stickney Home, and assisting Jesse Lee Home in Alasaka, the Deaconess Home in San Francisco, and Rust Hall, Washington, D. C.

MRS. VINA I. CLARK,
Retiring Corresponding Secretary.

ROCK RIVER CONFERENCE.

IT has been said that "Time is but a parenthesis in Eternity." Before the brackets are removed that release this waning year of the waning century, a brief review of our record during its twelve months is not amiss.

We have to announce the withdrawal from active service of one who has been an untiring, zealous worker and a willing burden-bearer, Mrs. Elizabeth E. Marcy. We have to report a prosperous year, more so than any preceding year of our existence. Our routine work has been carried on with its usual success throughout the entire year. Mrs. Clara L. Roach visited us this summer, stopping at Marcy Home. Mrs. Roach organized seven Auxiliaries, reorganized the three Chicago Districts, and aroused enthusiasm in all with whom she came in contact. Mrs. Della C. Geggie did good service visiting and strengthening Auxiliaries and forming Tithing Circles, enrolling the names of hundreds of little ones as tithers. Our Conference is stirring with a new life, and we hope, before another year is closed, to see our membership doubled. We do not intend to relax our efforts until there is a live Woman's Home Missionary Auxiliary in every self-supporting Church in the Conference. We have cause to praise God and take courage; for advance seems all along the line in Rock River Conference. We hear the Lord saying, "Be strong and of good courage."

MRS. KATHERINE V. FALLEY,
Conference Corresponding Secretary pro tem.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE.

AS WE review the history of the past year our hearts are filled with praise to God for the work accomplished in the Southern California Conference. Three months of this fiscal year's report should be credited to our former beloved Secretary, Mrs. E. W. Caswell, particulars of which I am not able to give you, as no written report has been left. Suffice it to say she was abundant in labors, and every interest of the work was kept up until her release at Conference time to go to her new Eastern home.

The Conference Anniversary afternoon was a pleasant occasion, with a good program and an attentive audience. Over $600 Frontier Fund was disbursed, and scores of our ministers blessed the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. We have made thirteen years of history in this Conference; history that should make heart of every sister in Methodism rejoice; history freighted with results that will tell for time and all eternity. The figures representing the actual money raised in these years runs up into many thousands; but this gives only a faint idea of the vast work accomplished. Should we not in these results recognize the Divine approval, and, looking forward with increased faith, anticipate even greater victories? This year's extended drouth has brought much suffering to our beloved pastors in some sections of our Conference. The timely help afforded by our Society, both in money and supplies, has been appreciated by these brave soldiers of the cross. Real need and destitution has been felt in places where neither grain, fruit, nor vegetables had been raised. This year fifty-one charges have been given aid amounting to $1.686. and supplies to the amount of $889.01.

In February, the General Society kindly sent us one of its most noted workers, Miss Henrietta Bancroft, who did most excellent service during her stay of the month. Mrs. Jane Bancroft Robinson, who was

visiting Southern California at the time, spared not herself in labor for us, and our Society shall not soon forget the upward lift given us by these consecrated sisters of Methodism.

We have to report in Fresno District, Mrs. A. A. Graves, President, and Mrs. C. A. Westenberg, Secretary, one Convention held at Selma during the year, with two new Societies. The drouth on this district has made the hardships more extreme than any other part of the Conference. Our ministers have staid loyally at their posts, and our Societies have been maintained in almost every charge, in some instances by great self-denial on the part of the good sisters. Whenever good times and crops come to the Fresno District, we shall find the doors wide open to Auxiliaries of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. San Diego, with its efficient Secretary, Mrs. I. Jewell, and its new President, Mrs. G. D. Whitcomb, has excelled in all good work. Two Conventions and two Rallies have been held with great interest. Miss Bancroft made a tour of all the principal places of this district, awakening an interest in deaconess work.

Los Angeles District must be called the banner district this year, having made an advance in all lines, with anincreased membership of 137. Two Conventions have been held and a Conference mass-meeting at Central Church. Too much credit can not be given the Secretary of this district, who has been keenly alive to every interest of the work. We have formed new societies at Corona, Burbank, Lankershim, Selma, Perris, Boyle Heights, Garvanza, Compton, San Pedro, and revivals at Bakersfield and Union Avenue. Many other places have been visited, and the work presented and collections taken.

There has been a gain of 181 members in the Conference, of 8 subscribers to *Home Missions*, and of $2,129.24 in receipts over the past year—counting value of lot, $1,000, given by Mrs. W. C. DePauw for Deaconess Home.

The memorials sent to the Annual Meeting with Mrs. Crist's appeal brought to us an appropriation of $300 for Spanish-Mexican work. Rev. Mata and wife were appointed to Ventura, where they have done grand work. Some work has been done by Mrs. Whitson in Los Angeles and vicinity; but more will be accomplished in the near future. Our Oriental work, under the superintendency of Mrs. Davis, has been most successful. Mrs. Lauyui, our Bible woman, has done house-to-house visiting, while prayer-meetings have been held, at which as many as eight women have been gathered together and taught. A visit to this neglected quarter of the city, where heathenism in its most degraded form holds these people to its worship, and where slavery of its women worse than death exists, will convince the most skeptical of the need of the great work so well begun by the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

That honored sister of Methodism, Mrs. W. C. DePauw, generously donated a lot valued at $1,000 and $500 in cash, to build a new Deaconess Home. This Home is now built and occupied, but for which we still must provide $1,000 to meet all bills. The Churches and Auxiliaries are doing grandly, and with the assistance of Miss Winifred Spaulding, who comes to us in August to remain two months to solicit funds for the Home, we expect to be able to have it dedicated free from debt in a few months.

Twenty-five dollars was pledged by our President, Mrs. Crist, to the hospital in Alaska. This pledge was doubled in amount, and then paid by Mrs. Huston, of Pasadena.

"An organization in each charge of the Conference," is our watch-word; and feeling that the work should be presented to each Church, leaving with it the responsibility of rejecting or accepting the oppor-

tunity to work in this great cause, we have visited as far as possible the charges in the Conference. Under the inspiration of the Twentieth-century Offering movement, our Board has lifted the standard 25,000 additional members and $200,000 in special gifts outside of membership dues. Eight new Auxiliaries of fifteen members in each of our seventy-eight Conferences will bring this great result. We are greatly encouraged to find Southern California standing well up near the head of the list of the seventy-eight Conferences having Woman's Home Missionary Societies in the amount of money raised. We number fourth; Baltimore, Detroit, and Philadelphia leading us.

The approach of the new century seems to have stimulated men to undertake great things for humanity. Expansion is in the air. Soon the whole habitable earth will be in the hands of civilized nations. America must not be a hermit nation like China. She has been forced to take her place in the march of progress, and must be in the lead as the race goes down the ages to its ultimate destiny. To live in America is to live in the best country in the world. To live in California is to live in the best portion of America. Do we really appreciate our exalted privilege? Gratitude to God for what we enjoy should make every one of us more enthusiastic and more liberal supporters of the Home Missionary cause.

MRS. P. H. BODKIN, *Conference Corresponding Secretary.*

SOUTHWEST KANSAS CONFERENCE.

AS WE review the work of the year we feel greatly encouraged. Much of our time and offerings have been spent in helping our own. There have been organized this year five new Auxiliaries, three Circles, and two Bands, with an aggregate of 141 members. There have also been 50 new members added to the old Auxiliaries. The societies pledged the support of the Conference Deaconess Home established in our midst, and the reports show an interest, which is almost enthusiasm, in the work over any previous year.

Our Anniversary was a grand success. We had with us Miss Winifred Spaulding, a deaconess, who made the address. She won all hearts by her earnest words and winning manner. She remained with us several months, doing excellent service in educating our people along the lines of woman's work in missions, and in securing funds to pay for the new Deaconess Home just purchased.

At our Annual Meeting in July the Conference officers were re-elected, and Wellington was chosen as the next place of meeting.

We come before "our Father" with gratitude and praise for the added blessings of another year.

MRS. W. J. MARTINDALE,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

TROY CONFERENCE.

WHILE our Conference Society is not measuring up to its abilities, we are happy to report increasing interest among the Auxiliaries, and an advance of about $700 over last year in our finances.

Four new Auxiliaries have been organized, and two languishing ones revived. One new one in a country town has furnished a valuable missionary, who has just entered upon her work at the Navajo Mission, Miss Fanny E. Rykert, of Nassau, N. Y. They also sent a valuable barrel of supplies to that mission, containing among other much-needed goods twenty yards of oilcloth for blackboard.

Mrs. Beiler spoke at our Anniversary at the Conference session;

also at a district meeting and in several Churches, with great success. She not only inspired our people; but took pledges for over $200 for the work in Alaska.

The gift of the Elizabeth Wellington Griffin Deaconess Home, Rensselaer, has given added interest to the work, and our Society and friends have responded generously to an appeal sent out in June. Pledges for naming and furnishing rooms have come in far beyond our expectations. An organ has been given, and barrels of supplies for the poor-closet, vegetables, etc., are coming in. We have a noble band of women in Rensselaer, who, though deeply interested in the Deaconess Home, have not lost interest in other lines of our work. They will continue to support the scholarship at Dulce, and have already sent to that mission a very valuable barrel of supplies, have secured ten new members, and are entitled to a place on the Roll of Honor. We have met all pledges made last year at Minneapolis, and have more than doubled some of them.

Three of our members have gone from toil to reward: Mrs. Griffin, who showed her love for the cause by her gift; Miss E. A. Philo, who gave several years of loving service, and in whose memory our Conference will support and educate the little girl in Haven Home whom she loved as her own child, "Odessa Philo;" and Mrs. S. D. Snow, well known to many of you for her excellent service at Kent Home and the New Jersey Home. During her last illness she had the work of the Society constantly upon her heart, and among her last words were "the work."

There are three children from our Conference in the Watts de Peyster Home, and one now en route for the Mothers' Jewels Home at York, Nebraska.

Our Annual Meeting was held October 12th, at Gloversville, New York. This was the first ever held on the outskirts of our Conference. The ladies of that Church resolved to make it a success. They gave a reception to the delegates on the evening before (the 11th), which was very enjoyable. Among those receiving with the officers were Miss Henrietta Bancroft and Miss Dorothy Graham, Superintendent of our Deaconess Home. This was a favorable opportunity for our ladies to make her acquaintance. All were pleased to meet her. Many friends were made for her and the deaconess cause. At the afternoon session she gave a very excellent paper, entitled "The Deaconess," which was listened to with profound interest. Several excellent papers were given. I can not forbear to speak of Miss Bancroft's address on Deaconess Work in the afternoon, and on the general work in the evening, which were helpful and inspiring.

Our President, Mrs. O. J. Squires, having resigned after many years of faithful service, the Corresponding Secretary was elected to that office, and Miss C. J. Dodge, of Cohoes, New York, was elected Corresponding Secretary. We trust that this enthusiastic young officer will give new impetus to the work, and next year bring you a report showing an advance on every line.

MRS. E. W. SIMPSON,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

UPPER IOWA CONFERENCE.

CONTINUED prosperity in the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society in Upper Iowa Conference leads us to exclaim, in the language of the psalmist, "Blessed be the Lord, who daily loadeth us with benefits."

The Conference Secretary and Organizer was in the field continu-

ally, and as a result of her labors, seconded by the generous pastors, twelve new Auxiliaries were organized, three faltering ones revived, and many other Auxiliaries visited.

Many of the Auxiliaries by personal effort placed themselves on the Roll of Honor, by securing the ten or more additional members required.

These agencies combined resulted in securing 467 new members in the Conference since the last Annual Meeting.

For the first time an effort was made to interest the young women in Woman's Home Missionary work. Eight Young Woman's Home Missionary Societies were organized, with an aggregate membership of 141.

Plans are laid to push the organization of Mothers' Jewels Bands, thus effecting the double purpose of raising funds for the Society and training the children in missionary work.

For the first time in the history of the Conference every district is organized. Decorah joined the sisterhood of districts with a fine corps of officers.

Thank-offering Day has been more generally observed than ever before. Fifteen Societies reported this observance.

Twenty-nine Societies use mite-boxes. This department is also growing.

The report of the Secretary of Supplies shows a large increase over last year. Above four hundred dollars in cash was expended for new goods for the barrels and boxes.

We have added a new department—Systematic Beneficence. At the Conference Annual Meeting thirteen delegates enrolled their names under Mrs. Hamilton's pledge.

Let us lay our tithe beside our prayer, "Thy kingdom come," and await the rising of "the Sun of Righteousness with healing in his wings."

A Secretary of Reading Circles was elected in each district at their last Annual Meeting. Let us adopt the motto of the student volunteers, "Pray, Study, Give." Pray for power; and study, that we may give intelligently.

We regret exceedingly the loss our work has sustained among the Bohemians in Cedar Rapids, by the removal of Mrs. Anna M. De Castello from our Conference. Our prayers go with her to her new field of labor in Chicago.

We record with pleasure the gift of $3,500 by an elect lady in her will, the income to be used for the support of students in the Training-school, or for deaconess work in the Conference.

We regret to report only a small increase in our list of subscribers to *Woman's Home Missions*, that most excellent helper to intelligent Home Missionary work.

Our pledge of $1,200 above dues made last year to Bennett Industrial Home, Bidwell Deaconess Home, the Training-school, Rust Hall, Bohemian Work, King Home, Immigrant Work, Hospital at Unalaska, Stickney Home, Orientals, etc., was more than met. Encouraged by these successes, we stand ready to pledge $1,500 above dues this year.

Mrs. Anna F. Beiler addressed a large audience at our Conference Anniversary. She presented her subject so forcibly as to win many new friends for our work for God and country.

With gratitude to God and love to the noble workers in our Conference, whose faithfulness makes this report possible, it is respectfully submitted.

MRS. MARGARET ALSPAUGH,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

UTAH MISSION CONFERENCE.

OUR Mission, that has received so much financial and other aid from the Woman's Home Missionary Society, is beginning to wake up to the fact that it ought to do something in return, little though it be, as an expression of its appreciation of the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

We have seven Auxiliaries (one new). The interest in all of them is increasing, and the attendance at the meetings is good.

The Anniversary, held August 18th, was the best in the history of the Mission. The presence of Mrs. B. S. Potter, Secretary of the Utah Bureau, and ten of the Society's workers, furnished an object-lesson that will not soon be forgotten.

There has been an increase of subscribers to *Woman's Home Missions* and of gifts to special funds. The outlook for the coming year is bright.

MRS. E. M. WILKS,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

VERMONT CONFERENCE.

IN reviewing the work of the year we find much of encouragement and something of attainment. The greatest increase of interest has been among our young people and children.

Early in the year a Band was organized at Barre, and fifty of the children's mite-boxes given to its members. The Mission Circle at White River Junction has been enthusiastic, and has supported a girl in Ritter Home. A promising Circle has been organized at Bradford. The Queen Esthers of Irasburg are doing good work under the guidance of the pastor's wife. The young ladies of Enosburg Falls have become much interested in the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. At Williamstown the girls prepared Christmas gifts for one of our Homes, and were very helpful in sending supplies. The Junior Epworth League of Hardwick contributed generously to our work.

Our literature has been widely circulated during the year. One hundred and fifty copies *Woman's Home Missions*, seventy-five copies *Children's Home Missions*, nearly three hundred copies of the Annual Report, and many leaflets have been sent out.

The supply work has been in the hands of our former Conference President, Mrs. E. A. Barrett, who, although burdened by home cares which are exceptionally heavy, has found time for the labors of this department.

Through the efforts of Mrs. J. O. Sherburn, a bell has been purchased and hung at Stickney Home.

Money has been raised for Ritter, Stickney, and Jesse Lee Homes, a scholarship having been sustained in each, and a half-scholarship in the National Training-school. Quite a sum has been sent to the Emergency Fund. The Treasurer reports an increase over last year in the receipts from regular channels.

We have been greatly favored in speakers. Mrs. C. W. Gallagher addressed the students at Montpelier Seminary in April. Bishop Mallalieu and Dr. J. W. Hamilton gave the addresses at our Conference Anniversary, and Dr. Hamilton took the collection, which was the largest in our history, amounting to about sixty dollars. Thirty new subscriptions were taken for our papers.

Miss Anna Mosher, of the New Jersey Home, spent a month of her

vacation in our Conference, speaking in nearly all our large towns and at seven camp-meetings. A great interest was aroused by her earnest words, which, we hope, will result in much good work for our Society. Collections were taken which defrayed Miss Mosher's expenses, gave her a fair compensation for her services, and furnished support for a girl in the New Jersey Home and something more, which we considered very good returns for the vacation season, when so many of our workers are away.

Mrs. Jane Bancroft Robinson recently spoke at St. Johnsbury.

Mrs. Woodcock's plan for aid for the Mothers' Jewels Home has been sent out, and we hope for large returns.

The Department of Systematic Beneficence has been added, and an effort will be made to push this work to the front.

The blessing of the Lord has been upon us as an organization, and we trust that the good seed which has been sown shall bring forth a hundred-fold in the year to come.

MRS. ELLA C. ELMER,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

VIRGINIA CONFERENCE.

WHILE our Conference is not doing all we hope to see it do, we are thankful for the growing interest. Our Annual Meeting was held in Falls Church. Mrs. D. B. Street, Mrs. J. E. Gilbert, and Miss Effie Perry, of Washington, D. C., were present, and made interesting and helpful addresses. Great interest was manifested in the mite-box work. We sent $9.32 to the Mothers' Jewels Home, Nebraska, and our Queen Esther Circle of Alexandria made some comforts for one of our Homes. We want to accomplish much more this year than ever before.

MISS IDA N. BALL,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

WEST NEBRASKA CONFERENCE.

THERE is a growing interest in our Conference, from presenting the appeal sent out for the Twentieth-century Thank-offering. New members have been secured, and additional names taken for the *Woman's Home Missions.*

The health of our Organizer has been such that she has been unable to visit many places during the year. But where she has gone the Auxiliaries have always been strengthened by her words of counsel and encouragement.

The Annual Meeting of the Conference was held at Broken Bow, September 14th, during session of Conference. Mrs. Spurlock was with us, and gave an excellent address concerning the different departments of our work.

A printed program containing the year's subjects, with persons' names assigned to each, has been used with good results in creating an interest in the literary department of our work. The Thank-offering program has also been used effectively.

The outlook for the coming year is hopeful, and with faith and prayer we are determined to go forward "in His Name." We realize very keenly the loss the General Society sustains in the death of our beloved Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Rust. As a Conference Society we shall miss her words of helpfulness and encouragement.

MRS. E. SMITH,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE.

THIS year has been one of mingled pain, disappointments, and disaster. I was attacked with rheumatism directly after our Annual Conference, and have not been able to travel over my work as usual. In June the greatest overflow known in Texas passed over a large portion of our Conference, which swept away all my people. This left them in a deplorable condition. It was pitiful, indeed, to see my people—men, women, and children—naked, hungry, and not a place to rest their weary limbs. Sickness and death followed this flood, and thus the Woman's Home Missionary Society lost many members. Those who survived are too poor to give to our cause. The Auxiliaries not located in the flood districts have blended their force together, and have done a wonderful missionary work by sending them clothing, bedding, food, and money. However, we have raised to date more money for our Training and Industrial School than the whole of last year. I have tried to keep the work alive by writing often to each Auxiliary; but letters do not do the good a visit does. Still we are not discouraged, knowing if we would win we first must lose. Our Anniversary was held at Denison, December 8, 1898. Four of our District Associations were held during the summer months. Reports showed earnest work along all lines New Auxiliaries have been organized and several Mothers' Jewels. Our need is the Training and Industrial Home. My entire Conference bemoans the death of our truly beloved Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. R. S. Rust.

MRS. E. S. SPRIGGS,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

WEST VIRGINIA CONFERENCE.

WE come before you for the first time as a Conference branch of this noble organization. We have received a most cordial welcome. We desire to declare great things possible from our Mountain State. We are misunderstood, as we are underrated. More loyal hearts, more capable minds are not to be found anywhere. Do you know that West Virginians can do anything they undertake? Enthusiasm and instruction are needed in every effort; enthusiasm follows instruction.

"Who knoweth whether thou art come to the kingdom for such a time as this?" can truly be inquired of our most worthy Conference President, Mrs. J. L. Sooy, of Wheeling. When she came to the State no effort had been made to organize a Woman's Home Missionary Society. She soon discovered a channel through which to work. You will rejoice with her and us in the fact that our first Auxiliary (Wheeling) was established through the co operation of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. In March, 1897, Mrs. M. J. Schoyer, Corresponding Secretary Pittsburg Conference, who, to the satisfaction and delight of all, has since been made Organizer for West Virginia, went to Wheeling, and, at a union meeting of the ladies of the various Churches of the city in the Fourth Street Church, organized an Auxiliary with eleven members. This year they report an enrollment of twenty-five; dues, $23; and a gift of $40 from Miss Hetty List for the Rust Home. During the year this Auxiliary sent out eight boxes, valuation, $412.28, and on September 1st they assumed the support of a deaconess, Miss Shivey, who is with us to-day, a graduate of the Training-school in Washington.

In July, 1898, at Mountain Lake Park, Mrs. Roach, of Washington, assisted by ladies from other points, principally Pittsburg Conference,

effected the organization of the West Virginia Conference Woman's Home Missionary Society, with Mrs. J. L. Sooy, Fourth Street, Wheeling, President.

May 3, 1899, Mrs. Schoyer organized an Auxiliary at Parkersburg, with thirteen members. They now have eighteen. This Auxiliary sent a box, valued at $5.87, to a minister's family in a new district.

In July, 1899, a local Auxiliary at Mountain Lake Park was organized, with sixteen members; now twenty-one are enrolled.

September 2, 1899, Mrs. Schoyer organized at Sistersville, with eleven members; now sixteen. Mrs. Schoyer also organized at Grafton during September. September 22, 1899, Mrs. J. L. Sooy organized in Thompson Church, Wheeling, with thirty-five members

At the Annual Conference in Parkersburg, Friday afternoon was generously given to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society and the Woman's Home Missionary Society for their anniversary services. Our organization was most graciously presided over by Mrs. Sooy. Mrs. Roach gave a most interesting and instructive address, which is continuing to do good. It awoke the pastors to an acknowledgment of the fact that the Woman's Home Missionary Society is very much alive, and a willingness to assist in the good work. At the adjournment of this meeting the President called the ladies together for the election of officers for the ensuing year.

Mrs. S. W. Davis, of Wilkinsburg, has already enthusiastically told you of the purchase, and our hopes in such purchase, of the Rev. John Thompson home at Mountain Lake. Pray for our victory. Our desire is expressed in these words:

"Master, to do great work for Thee,
Our hands are far too weak.
Thou givest what may suit,
Some little chips to cut with care minute,
Or tint, or grave, or polish. Others stand
Before their quarried marble fair and grand,
And make a life-work of the great design
Which thou hast traced; or many skilled combine
To build vast temples, gloriously planned.
Yet take the tiny stones which we have wrought,
Not knowing what came next in thy wise thought.
Let each stone by thy master hand of grace
Form the mosaic as thou wilt for us,
And in thy temple pavement give it place."

MRS. R. L. KENDALL,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

WEST WISCONSIN CONFERENCE.

WE are steadily moving along in the work, and gaining a firmer hold of the better class of the people, and as the pastors are becoming more acquainted with the Society, they are responding more readily to its interests. The new fields of work now opening up inspire our labors, and, no doubt, will secure greater zeal in the Auxiliaries. The pledges made by this Conference to the Chinese work on the Pacific Coast, for Alaska Hospital, the Mothers' Jewels Home, and the Deaconess Work have all been met, and some of them by more than was promised.

Eau Claire District is well organized, with six Auxiliaries, of which

one has been organized during this year. One disbanded on account of a heavy fire in the village.

Ashland District has three Auxiliaries. One has suspended because of the tornado that destroyed most of the city; but the other Auxiliaries on the district have paid the dues for the suspended one.

La Crosse District has but one Auxiliary, which has some of the very best toilers, and is doing efficient work.

Madison District has one Auxiliary looking well after all lines of work.

Plattville District has four Auxiliaries. The District Manager has been ill, and had to be absent seeking health in another climate, so the work has not received the attention needed.

Mrs. Annie F. Beiler attended the Anniversary, and ably presented the claims of the work in Alaska. Her services were highly prized.

I am hoping that the Lord will give greater success another year.

MRS. M. BENSON,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

WILMINGTON CONFERENCE.

THE record of the past year's work seems but an echo of those preceding it. We know, from a close examination of the various reports received through the District Secretary, the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society is gaining ground throughout our Conference. The increased attendance at our regular monthly meetings has been gratifying, and the papers prepared have been more practical and helpful than in any previous year. Several Auxiliaries held delightful Thank-offering services. We wish it had been true of every Auxiliary. A number of Circles and Bands have increased their membership, and are in a prosperous condition.

The Conference session was held in Cambridge, Md. The Anniversary was presided over by Mrs. N. M. Browne, who has been President of the Conference Society since its organization. The attendance was large, and every one was delighted and profited by the able address of Mrs. T. L. Tomkinson, of Philipsburg, Pa. But one camp-meeting service was held during the year. These services with us do not seem to be of much account financially; but give opportunity to sow the seed and distribute mite-boxes, the results of which remain to be seen.

District meetings continue to be sources of pleasure and profit, while the Annual Meeting, always held the second Thursday in March, is a delightful gathering, such as can only be true when a company of enthusiastic women meet in Christian work. The pledges made at the last Convention have all been met.

We have helped on the educational work of the Society by supporting scholars in Simpson Home, Jesse Lee and King Homes, and the Chinese girls on the Pacific Coast. Contributions have been sent to the Emergency Fund, Rust Hall, Allen Home, and to the Deaconess Rest Home at Ocean Grove.

Mrs. H. F. Pickels, for a number of years our faithful Secretary of Supplies, has resigned, and at the last Annual Meeting Mrs. H. H. Huffington was elected in her place. Quite generously have our members responded to the calls for supplies, which have been sent to a number of Homes and Schools, as well as to the ministers on the frontiers.

Each year mite-boxes are more in demand. To hear the various ways in which they are filled is quite interesting. Some of them represent a great deal of self-denial.

The interests of the National Training-school are being looked after by Mrs. Hastings. Quite a number of pledge cards have been distributed.

Local work has received some attention from the Auxiliaries. Mrs. Theodore Francis, the Secretary, reports quite a number of families visited, over four hundred visits to the sick, children brought to the Sunday-school, and adults into Church membership. We are glad to report increased interest in the Reading Circle.

In the various meetings held during the year we have had the valuable services of Miss Miner at the Annual Meeting, Mrs. Tomkinson at Conference Anniversary, and Miss Thornborough at the camp-meeting service. Miss Fowler spoke in two of our Wilmington churches in July, and delighted all by her cordial manner and intensely interesting addresses. At a meeting of the Conference Board recently held much interest was manifested, and the sentiment prevailed that an advance should be made along all lines the coming year.

MRS. EMMA L. WELDIN,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

WISCONSIN CONFERENCE.

THE battle-cry, Advance! has thrilled along the line of our little Home Mission army; and from many a consecrated heart and life the answer has ascended:

"I ll go where you want me to go, dear Lord;
I 'll be what you want me to be."

Our Annual Meeting was held in May, at the Algoma Street Methodist Episcopal Church, Oshkosh, and proved to be a luminous center for those within the radius of its influence. There were several very interesting features, among them Mrs. E. S. Davis's afternoon reading, consisting of sketches from her book, "Whether Black or White—A Man," and the evening address by Mrs. S. B. Potter. Mrs. Potter remained a month within the Conference limits, and several new Auxiliaries were organized, three of which have since shown signs of active life.

There has been an increase in interest and activity during the summer. Reports from the older Societies are encouraging, and there are signs suggestive of the unfolding of napkins wherein unsuspected talents may be discovered. A missionary has been sent and sustained for several months among the half-breed Indians located upon the Appleton District, and one hundred dollars has been pledged for Thayer Home.

At our camp-meeting the work was presented, and our Annual Conference was addressed by the Corresponding Secretary concerning the evil forces that menace our national prosperity, and the remedy—Home Missions—one of the results being that many expressed an awakened interest in the broad field of American missions.

At our last Board meeting a committee was appointed to investigate conditions of the State, with a view to establishing one or more missions therein.

A prominent feature of work has been assisting the needy at our door, and of sending supplies to worthy recipients. About two hundred dollars worth of the latter have been reported during the summer.

With these blessings, for which we thank God and take courage, there comes to us the conviction that this is but the beginning of the work that should extend far more generally through our Conference.

Organizations are many, and demands are multiple; but when the Church shall have reached the Pentecostal stage described by Bishop Thoburn there will be no empty treasury.

Let our motto be, not so much America for Americans, as America for Christ.

"O my country, thy dominion spreads afar from sea to sea,
Farther yet to lands in darkness shines thy day-star of the free,
And thy hand must lead them upward to the heights of liberty,
Where God is marching on."

MRS. H. W. RE QUA,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

WYOMING CONFERENCE.

AT the annual session of Wyoming Conference, held at Kingston, Pa., Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk gave a fine address on "The Industrial Homes," and the general work of the Society. She was vigorously applauded. The Conference Secretary gave a verbal report of the work done in the Conference.

Honesdale District mourns the loss of its beloved Secretary, Mrs. Mary L. Wheeler, who passed to her reward December 18, 1898. She had been chosen delegate to the National Convention. Mrs. A. W. Cooper kindly consented to take up the work on the district, and reports about ninety-four dollars. Chenango reports forty-one dollars. The Secretary writes: "At our Sydney Camp-meeting we enjoyed the privilege of listening to Miss Priscilla Foster, of Brooklyn Deaconess Home, who proved a blessing to all." Owego has raised her usual amount.

Binghamton District, always active in Home Mission work, has done finely this year. She mourns one of her most faithful workers and supporters, Mrs. H. H. Crary, mother of our much valued Treasurer, Mrs. Grace Crary Haskins. Mrs. Crary died July 7th, after a protracted illness. "Though dead, she yet speaketh." Among her many bequests to the Church she so dearly loved, was one to the Woman's Home Missionary Society of $25,000. Oneonta is a little ahead of last year; reports $150.

The Secretary of Wyoming District writes: "There is a growing interest in our work all over the district, especially in deaconess work. Elm Park supports a young lady in our Training-school at Washington, D. C.

Mrs. P. L. Bennett, of Wilkes Barre, contributed one thousand dollars to the new building at Clarkson, and $232 for beneficiaries at Training-school. Mrs. K. P. Dickson $100 toward completion of "Dickson Hall." Total amount raised in the Conference, $1,975.63.

The work was well represented at Wyoming Camp-meeting by Miss C. Swartz, a deaconess from Indiana. The district meetings have been full of interest. Pledges all met. Two new Auxiliaries organized. A number of pledge cards have been distributed. Barrels of excellent clothing have been sent to the needy ones on the frontier.

As we glance over the year's work we do not feel satisfied, but thankful, and hopeful that the seed sown may bring forth an abundant harvest for the reapers in the years to come.

MRS. GEORGE B. KULP,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

NORTHWEST IOWA CONFERENCE.

ALTHOUGH many of our Conference and District officers have suffered by illness and bereavement of friends, none have been removed by death, for which we thank God.

Our districts have each well-officered District Associations, and held one a spring and one a fall Convention.

Our State Association held its annual gathering in our Conference this year. This was better attended than any of its former meetings, and was the best and most helpful of all. Miss Durham did us grand service by her talk and songs. We are greatly indebted to her, and Miss Ferrabee of Simpson Home, Miss Putnam of Bennett Home, Mrs. May Cummisky Bliss, and Mrs. Beiler, for most excellent help. Several Auxiliaries and Circles were organized, and many strengthened. The future will bring added returns from their arduous and self-sacrificing efforts.

Our advance is 12 more Auxiliaries, 267 members, 98 Mothers' Jewels, 91 *Woman's* and 103 *Children's Home Missions;* but sorry, indeed, for the 12 less Home Missionary Reading Course readers.

Reports for mite-box collections, mission supplies, and Young People's Work are in advance of last year, as shown by reports of Secretaries of these Bureaus.

Our special funds have been divided between salary of Miss Gibson, Bidwell Deaconess Home, Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school (Epworth Leagues aided in this), Jesse Lee, Stickney, King, Chinese Girls, and Mothers' Jewels Homes, Emergency Fund, and $113 for Rust Hall.

Much funds have been secured by sale of Aunt Jemima Baking Powder.

Never was treasurer more willing-hearted and painstaking than our new Conference Treasurer; but inexperience and her much serious illness have conspired to prevent reporting of last quarter in season, although the money was duly sent.

Each Conference and District officer, Auxiliary, many pastors, and others have received the appeal to petition our congressman to give vote and influence against the seating in Congress of B. H. Roberts, of Utah.

Also sent to above-named Annual Reports of our Woman's Home Missionary Society, Conference Society, Bidwell Deaconess Home, and much of our Society literature.

Fifteen Auxiliaries reported having observed Thank-offering service separate, and some in connection with other meetings. Several observed Day of Humiliation and Prayer.

We are happy to report the starting of a Deaconess Home at Sioux City, and bespeak for it the prayers and support of every member and friend of our Conference Society.

The beautiful singing-book, "White Wings of Peace," is gaining friends wherever introduced; Mrs. Rev. W. W. Brown, author.

We find that prayer and work for the Society begets more love for God, patriotism, and sympathy for the neglected women and children we are commissioned to "Go tell."

MRS. J. P. NEGUS,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

OF THE EDITOR OF "WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONS"

THE year 1899 has been one of much satisfaction and pleasure to the editor of *Woman's Home Missions*.

It is personally a source of gladness to hear from our workers, and thus learn how a great Society in the kingdom of God fares. Each knows for herself what the paper has been to her and her work, and also what she would prefer to have different. Letters of approval and kindly appreciation have not been wanting; not simply a line, but whole letters. And what is noteworthy is, the frequent mention of so much labor being represented. These letters are the kind to keep; they have a spirit of goodness—such a fineness of humanity. To discover the labor of an editor in so small a paper reveals a thoughtful and rare quality, and I wish here to record my appreciation and to add how gratifying it is to know that others understand that one who serves such a Society as the Woman's Home Missionary Society must keep abreast of the movement of the world, as a lapidary requires preparation, though the diamond he cuts may be small.

Nearly all the periodical literature of this age offers material for a missionary paper. The great dailies, thrown from the press freighted by human wreckage and floating *débris*, carry along also matter suggestive of religious or benevolent enterprise. A steady change is going on in the drift of the world's current literature. And it is Godward. Therefore, a Home Missionary editor or a Foreign can not neglect the great dailies and magazines of the present day. But while approbation has been gratifying, criticism has been equally welcomed and heeded.

It is to be regretted that our Bureau Secretaries furnish so little from the fields. The children of this world advertise their business. Even a short paragraph, a list of wants, an incident, will keep a Secretary's department before the Society, increase her business, and cost her nothing. These incidents are much needed to enliven our monthly meetings.

The Concert Study is a feature which holds and increases subscriptions. This Study, to be known and its value appreciated, must be tried. A lady told me that the study of the connected series of one of our earlier years gave her a view of our entire country she greatly valued, which has been a help to her in much of her work ever since.

These Studies are now ably prepared and fully equipped for making our monthly meetings of great interest and profit.

The Deaconess Department has been exceedingly rich in incident, information, and suggestion. The Church, through these four pages of deaconess matter, is gaining a very clear idea of the work of the deaconess. It begins to apprehend the future of a movement which will mark the closing century, and lend an increasing and permanent glory to that new century upon which it is auspiciously entering.

While the design of the paper is to keep in view the fields and the workers, it has entered other regions which are proving more fruitful than we knew.

An eminent and practical divine calls attention, in one of our Advo-

cates, to what he names the "by-products" of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. He notes how, from a beginning of effort limited to the Negro race of the South, the Society has not only embraced the whole United States, but has through its "by-products become a great educational institution."

These "by-products" are the Thank-offering, the Day of Humiliation and Prayer, the sanctity of the Sabbath, the Divine origin of labor, the sanctity of marriage, the tithing system of religious finance. These have been inaugurated and carried on by the paper, as helpful to the Church and vital to the prosperity of the country. These, from the smallest beginnings, have, a part of them, become organized departments of the Society, and ever growing in interest and importance.

Woman's Home Missions is to be measured by its efficiency as a servant of the Society. All journals are to be estimated according as they meet the demands of those they serve. By this standard the great monthly periodicals of the world are judged. These sweep the whole field of human interests. We can not compare a paper devoted to a single object with such papers. We compare it only with those of the same class—*missionary monthlies published by women.* Our distinguished popular magazines meet the wants of the million—ours of a few thousand in a special line, that of missions and related subjects only.

The differences I have just given are the reasons we can not profitably use their methods to increase our list of subscribers. Their methods are more or less expensive. They are economy for these papers of general character, since they have no organization to work for them. Our object ends in the Society; theirs begins and ends in their paper, and the money goes to the proprietor. The experience of sixteen years has proved to us that these methods bring *no increase* to us; but in *every instance a loss.*

We must work for our increase by different methods. We must depend upon the loyal, faithful, voluntary efforts of our membership. Depending upon these alone for years without outlay or expense, our success was phenomenal. In no case have we gone into expense as we have the last year, without loss of our funds, and with no evidence whatever of any returns. No amount of money spent in various schemes to move our high-minded and devout workers would influence them, but would rather, as in the past year, cause them surprise.

These have loyally striven for the paper because it is the servant of their beloved work, and in order to advance that work. And do not forget we glean subscriptions from ground already gleaned by our Woman's Foreign and temperance papers. So let us keep our paper strictly to the lines of our work, and let me say in passing that those who read it will find both information and interest increasing. A man operating in large moneyed interests in New Mexico chanced, in a vacant moment, to pick up *Woman's Home Missions.* He told me that he had seen nothing more pointed or correct than an article upon New Mexico by one of our former Bureau Secretaries. This shows how knowledge of our great country may be gained. For years our Government has relied, without doubt, upon the word and literature of foreign missionaries, notably the *Missionary Herald.*

We can rest upon our Auxiliaries and their wisdom and experience to increase our list of subscribers. To them *Woman's Home Missions* is a text-book, not giving full information, but showing where full information may be found.

Desiring to publish an illustration for which I had not space, I thought to utilize the face of the cover. Finding the texture of the cover would not receive a half-tone impression, I ventured to select a poem.

It was a venture far beyond my expectation. Many have volunteered to express their pleasure in the change. Without increasing the expense, the cover may be made to receive our half-tone pictures.

Confessing a peculiar regard for our first cover, as an elder child, I desire to call your thoughtful attention to this fact: should the cover be white and of proper texture for handsome half-tones, the cost will be reduced materially, and the money thus saved can be appropriated for the publication of leaflets. I therefore recommend, first, that a cover of a proper texture to print half-tones handsomely be provided; second, that the cover be white to reduce the expense of paper.

MRS. H. C. MCCABE, *Editor.*

OF THE EDITOR OF "CHILDREN'S HOME MISSIONS."

That the children's paper is needed, who can doubt? A question that should come home to every member of the Society is this: "Is the child's paper of sufficient importance to the growth and continuance of our work to make it necessary for *me* to interest myself in its circulation?"

This is a question which each woman must decide for herself; but it may be assumed that at least one out of ten really believes that, as "children are the hope of the Church," so they are the hope of the missionary enterprises of the Church. If each woman who really believes this would secure one new subscriber to the little paper, the increase, in addition to what we now have, would at once lift us out of financial straits, render it possible to greatly improve the paper, lift a burden from the hearts of both editor and publisher, and start little Home Missionary rivulets in many a place, which, please God, will one day widen out into broad and beautiful rivers of grace and helpfulness!

Once more the editor earnestly calls upon leaders of the little people to share with their comrades the good things which they have learned in their own work. The Conference Secretary of Young People's Work should gather many items of great interest from her Bands and Circles, and it would be a work of mercy to pass them on! But let not leaders of local Bands feel that they may leave this work of "profit-sharing" to any official, however high! Share your blessings with your editors, and they will bless you.

MISS MARTHA VAN MARTER, *Editor.*

ON PUBLICATION.

IT has been the custom, hitherto, for each division of the publishing department to make a separate report. These various reports combined fully set forth the entire work and cost of the publishing department.

I herewith present you with a statement of the publishing and printing done for the Society at the Eastern and Western Book Concerns, and the amount of money expended therefor.

In accordance with your action last year, twelve thousand copies of the Seventeenth Annual Report were published at the Western Book Concern, at a cost of $1,261.42. Circulars and leaflets were also published at a cost of $413.79. In addition, there has been the usual miscellaneous printing of blank forms for reports of all the departments of the work, labels, noteheads and letterheads, subscription cards, receipt pads, postals for notices and transportation, electrotyping, etc., the whole amount aggregating $1,936.31.

The cost for the other divisions of the department is shown in their respective reports.

Your Committee recommend as follows:

1. That the number of copies of the new Annual Report, the Eighteenth, be thirteen thousand.

2. That all reports and matters for publication therein be made as condensed as possible, thus reducing the cost of the Report.

3. That the price of *Children's Home Missions* remain as heretofore, fifteen cents for a single copy, and ten cents for clubs of ten or more; and that the paper continue to be published at Delaware, Ohio.

MRS. F. S. HOYT, *Chairman.*

OF PUBLISHER OF "WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONS."

THE receipts and expenditures for the fiscal year ending with July, 1899, are as follows:

RECEIPTS:		
Balance from last year	$624 57	
From subscriptions	5,152 36	
From advertisements	408 51	
From donations	5 00	
		$6,190 44
EXPENDITURES:		
To printing and mailing	$4,075 92	
To Editor	300 00	
To Publisher	500 00	
To Editor Deaconess Dep't (11 mos.)	88 00	
To Writer Historical Sketches (6 mos.)	25 00	
To Writer Concert Lessons	66 60	
To Electros	59 19	
To postal cards, stationery, and sundries	163 89	
		$5,278 60
Balance on hand		911 84
		$6,190 44

These statements are of especial interest, as they represent the first complete fiscal year in which *Woman's Home Missions* has been published with twenty pages—colored cover—and at the advanced subscription price of thirty-five cents. The report made one year ago, which was seven months after these changes were made, showed a loss of fifteen hundred subscriptions. Efforts have been made during the year to regain these numbers; but the best result obtained was to arrest the backward movement. The list is holding its own, and plans are well inaugurated for a grand advance the coming year. The outlook is encouraging.

The receipts from advertisements are in advance of any previous year. We are indebted to Mrs. M. T. Carey, Mrs. F. W. Ainsworth, Mrs. S. Sanborn, and Mrs. Levi Masters, members of the Advertising Committee, for securing each one advertisement.

An excellent plan has been suggested to increase our list to twenty thousand. The plan has been placed before many of you; but it may not be unprofitable to repeat it at this time.

The Twentieth-century Movement to increase the membership would be followed, very naturally, by an effort to increase the number of subscribers to *Woman's Home Missions.* We need not increased numbers alone, but an increase in number of intelligent workers—those who, for the very reason that they know the need, are willing to sacrifice time

and means, that the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society may be advanced. To arrange for the twenty thousand subscriptions, a schedule has been made assigning to each Conference the exact figures showing necessary increase. The reports of the Conference Secretaries will show with what success they have met in securing the co-operation of their district and Auxiliary officers. That these reports will be encouraging, there is little doubt.

You have many times heard the statement made that our publication has paid all expenses from the beginning. If you refer to the Annual Report for 1886-1887, you will find the financial showing for *Woman's Home Missions* has a deficit of $330.97. The account was settled by drawing on our General Treasury. Each year since our receipts have been increasing; but the debt has not been paid, as we had extra expenses for the enlargement and other improvements necessary for the publication. The present financial condition allows the paying of this debt. I would recommend that $330.97 be returned with thanks—it ought to be with interest—to the General Treasury, to be placed in the Emergency Fund. There would still remain a balance on hand of $580.87.

About this balance I would like to build a high fence, one that could not be surmounted except after deliberate and prayerful consideration. Under such conditions, I feel sure $175 would not be used to send postal card notices at the expiration of subscriptions, a useless expenditure when the date of expiration is on address label, and can be referred to any time during the year. In addition to this, the last issue for each quarter contains notice calling attention to the date then expiring. It is possible that all this may not attract the attention of the busy woman; but no one certainly can fail to see the notice which appears on last paper due each subscriber, "Your subscription expires with this number." This is printed in plain red letters. The fact that we have a balance on hand does not mean that we have had all smooth sailing. Figures fail to tell the whole story. It does mean hours of economical planning, always having in mind the best interests of the work—hours of hard work, hours of prayer for wise guidance. Realizing something of these anxious moments, I feel like urging that these pennies, so carefully saved, be well guarded. We are still employing very crude methods for the mailing-list, because inexpensive. This calls for time and strength which might better be otherwise employed; hence I would recommend that the balance be unused except for improvements in connection with the publication.

MISS MARY BELLE EVANS, *Publisher.*

OF PUBLISHER OF "CHILDREN'S HOME MISSIONS."

THE following statements show the receipts and expenses for the fiscal year, closing with July, 1899:

RECEIPTS:		
Balance from last year	$30 62	
From subscriptions	922 43	
From Guarantee Fund	66 87	
EXPENSES:		
To printing and mailing		$678 85
To Publisher		200 00
To Editor		200 00
To Electros		8 15
To stationery, wrappers, and sundries		33 73
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The above financial statements call for immediate and thoughtful consideration. All previous reports showing bills paid and a balance on hand, I fear, have given the impression that *Children's Home Missions* was financially prosperous. The receipts from subscriptions have increased each year. This year we had an increase of $108.90 over previous year. Despite these facts we are in debt over one hundred dollars. The receipts from subscriptions alone have never been sufficient to meet expenses. Each year we have drawn from the Guarantee Fund, which was so thoughtfully provided to inaugurate this enterprise. This fund was exhausted very early in the year. The question now is, Shall we ask for additional contributions for this fund, or increase the number of subscriptions until the publication is placed on a good financial basis?

No one questions but that our little publication has its important mission, and hence a strong claim on all interested in our work for its support. It should be the pride of every Auxiliary. A subscription-list of at least fourteen thousand will be necessary to meet expenses. The list now numbers 8,700.

An appeal was made some weeks ago to our Conference Secretaries, showing the financial condition, and urging that arrangements be made, if possible, with the Auxiliaries for the necessary increase. The Conferences were carefully considered, and assigned the exact number of new subscriptions necessary to be added to the renewals. If this plan has met with favor, the immediate future of *Children's Home Missions* is provided for. We await their reports with much interest, and trust that a response suited to the needs of the work will be made.

MISS MARY BELLE EVANS, *Publisher.*

ON LEAFLETS.

THE Leaflet Committee recommend:

1. That the Leaflet Fund, twenty-five cents annually from each Auxiliary, be continued, the same to be paid through the Auxiliary Treasurer to the Conference Treasurer, thence to the General Treasurer of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

2. That all Conference, district, and local societies appoint a Secretary of Literature, whose duty it shall be to promote the distribution of our literature as widely as possible.

3. That leaflets which are to bear the imprint of the Woman's Home Missionary Society be accepted and passed upon by the Editor of Leaflets before publication.

4. That Bureau Secretaries furnish matter for leaflets pertaining to their fields.

The statistical report for the year ending July 15, 1899, is as follows:

Leaflets sent out from New York office	372,400
Pages	1,399,755
Pamphlets	1,565
Booklets	294
Membership Blanks	2,230
Membership Cards	1,920
Mothers' Jewels Cards	8,340
Circle and Band Cards	2,065
Growing in Grace Cards	2,410
Epworth League Cards	745
Junior	775
Number of Leaflets printed during the year ending July 15, 1899	366,000

New Leaflets	96,000
Reprints	270,000
Thank-offering Service	25,000
Thank-offering Envelopes	48,000
Orders received during the year	3,781
Letters written	995
Postals	850
Jewel Mite-boxes distributed	15,771

ON MISSIONARY CANDIDATES.

SEVERAL vacancies have occurred in our Homes during the past year, one occasioned by the death of Miss Philo at Haven Home, two by illness at New Orleans, and some for other causes. These vacancies have been filled by those who have been passed by the Committee and accepted as missionaries by the Board.

It is found more and more difficult to find those who are prepared by industrial training to meet the requirements of our work. This emphasizes the necessity of enlarged facilities for our Training-school, where missionaries as well as deaconesses can be thoroughly equipped for their work.

The Committee feels that with the growth of industrial training all over the country, and the demand everywhere for trained workers, the Woman's Home Missionary Society can not afford to send into its Industrial Homes and Schools those who have not been trained along these lines.

MRS. ANNA F. HERRON,
Chairman of Committee.

ON TRANSPORTATION.

THE Central Traffic and Trunk Line Associations have granted reduction of railroad fares on the certificate plan. The reduction is one fare and a third, provided there are one hundred or more delegates and visitors in attendance at the Convention, who hold properly signed certificates obtained from the ticket agents at starting point or nearest place to it, showing full fare has been paid to place of meeting. Fares less than seventy-five cents will not be reduced in returning.

The certificates must be deposited with the Railroad Secretary before or on Friday or Saturday, October 20 and 21, 1899, the time set for the visit of the Special Agent, who will examine and sign the certificates. No certificate will be valid unless properly signed.

If any one fails to present certificate before her departure, no reduced rates can be obtained. The Special Agent will present the certificates after they have been properly signed to each person. Under no circumstances will the Railroad Secretary be permitted to return a certificate after the departure of the Special Agent. This is in accordance with the rules of the Joint Association, and they must be kept.

Hoping that every one present will aid in this important matter, so as to allow each person to be benefited by the reduction of railroad fares.

Eleven dollars was paid for the services of Special Agent June 11, 1899.

MRS. W. M. AMPT,
Chairman of Committee on Transportation.

ON RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved, 1. That we, as members of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, have great cause for gratitude to Almighty God, who has so blessed the work of our hands this past year as to bring us up to this annual feast of ingathering with many encouraging indications of advance along all lines of work.

Resolved, 2. That we pledge ourselves to use our earnest endeavor to meet the broadening developments of our work with a corresponding liberality of support.

WHEREAS, It has pleased our Heavenly Father to take from us our beloved General Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. R. S. Rust, who has been known and honored as the founder of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and its Corresponding Secretary from the time of organization; and

WHEREAS, Our past and present marvelous growth is largely due to her untiring labor and unconquerable enthusiasm, and our future will be in a great degree the fruitage of what she has done; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we will ever keep in mind her noble, self-sacrificing life, and strive to follow her as she followed Christ, spending and being spent in his service.

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent to her bereaved husband, Dr. R. S. Rust, and to the members of her family.

Resolved, That inasmuch as the prevalent desecration of the Sabbath is a menace to our Christian civilization, we pledge ourselves, by our personal example, as well as by precept, to stand for faithful Sabbath observance.

Resolved, That we, the members of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, assembled in executive session at Pittsburg, Pa., desire to express our thanks to Hon. J. D. Long, Secretary of the Navy, for his recent official decision forbidding the sale of strong drink in the navy, thereby protecting the gallant men who have made our Government respected throughout the world. We pray that the disgrace of the canteen may soon be removed from our army, and that our flag may nowhere stand sponsor for the rum-traffic.

Resolved, That we respectfully request President McKinley to give his sanction to the enforcement of the Anti-canteen Law enacted by the last Congress, and nullified by the decision of the Attorney-General.

Resolved, That in view of the rapidly-increasing demand for trained deaconesses and missionaries, we urge our societies to such energetic effort in securing funds as shall make our projected Rust Hall to be in the near future a beautiful reality, and that we remember in the meantime to furnish our Training-school at Washington with the very best possible equipment and support.

WHEREAS, The aim of this Society is to Christianize and train young women without the distinction of race; therefore,

Resolved, That there be instituted by this Society some plan whereby divinely-called graduates of our colored Industrial Schools may have deaconess training.

Resolved, That we highly appreciate the generous gift of the six Pittsburg friends for the founding of the Elizabeth A. Bradley Memorial Home for Homeless Children, to be in connection with the Pittsburg Deaconess Home of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

WHEREAS, There is great need for a Protestant Orphanage for Negro children in the Black Belt of the South; therefore,

Resolved, That we recommend that, as soon as practicable, an Orphanage be opened by the Woman's Home Missionary Society in some central location in the South.

Resolved, That each Conference endeavor to bring up its subscription-lists of *Woman's Home Missions* and *Children's Home Missions* to the pro rata allotment as proposed in the report of the publisher.

WHEREAS, In the recognition of the manifold mercies of God during the century now closing, world-wide Methodism is consecrating its means and efforts for worthy thank-offering,

Resolved, That we heartily indorse the plan of the Twentieth-century Thank-offering, and pledge our devoted efforts to win souls to Christ and gifts for his kingdom.

Resolved, That we extend our hearty thanks to the Trustees and members of the Christ Methodist Episcopal Church for the use of their magnificent house of worship; to the pastor for his cordial helpfulness; to the Committee on Entertainment, who prepared for our coming and received us so beautifully; to the women of the Churches of Pittsburg and Allegheny, for their assiduous attention to our every need; to those who have, with beautiful hospitality, thrown open to us their lovely homes; to the organist and singers for their inspiring music; to the pages for their helpful ministries; to the Committee on Decoration, and to all those who have made thoughtful provision for our convenience and comfort in regard to postal facilities, information, check-rooms, etc.; to Mrs. John G. Holmes for the delightful reception at her elegant residence, Holmshurst; and to all who have contributed to make our stay in Pittsburg a profit and delight.

We also tender our thanks to the representatives of the press, who have so faithfully and impartially reported our proceedings, and to the railroad companies, who have granted us transportation favors.

MRS. T. L. TOMKINSON, MRS. SARAH W. FLOYD,
MRS. T. J. EVERETT, MRS. DELLA C. GEGGIE,
MRS. JOHN NEFF, *Committee.*

ON ORGANIZATION.

(Report of Mrs. B. S. POTTER.)

Conferences visited	9
Churches where Auxiliary existed	14
Churches where no Auxiliary existed	33
Conference Anniversaries	5
Conference Annual Meetings	1
District meetings	2
Parlor meetings where Society existed	2
Camp-meetings	1
Conference Epworth League Convention	1
Missionary Conventions	3
Organizations fully effected	32
Committees of from three to six	6
Young Woman's Home Missionary Societies	2
Mission Bands	2
Formal addresses given	62
Whole number of new members secured	555

I have traveled in the interests of the Society since the close of the Annual Meeting at Minneapolis, one year ago, fifteen thousand miles, and given in actual service away from my home six months and eight days. This includes the time spent in Utah in the interest of the work of the Bureau.

When I think of my itineraries for organization, the thought forcibly presents itself, How many of these new societies are active? In one Conference to which I gave a month, the Conference Corresponding Secretary was changed in the midst of the itinerary. It would not be strange if, under these conditions, some of the new Auxiliaries were not heard from. A new officer unacquainted with the work could hardly be expected to grasp the situation before disintegration began in some of the new organizations. But happily these cases are not hopeless.

With the Conference officers rests the loving burden and care of building up the new Auxiliary into a living force for the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

I have freely scattered literature. And while I have kept no account of subscriptions to *Woman's Home Missions*, I have represented both of our papers faithfully, and secured seven clubs of ten to *Children's Home Missions*.

In almost every instance I have left a Superintendent for Young People's and Children's Work.

It would delight me to hear from the bright-faced, enthusiastic little people who have received the beautiful Mothers' Jewels mite-boxes. I can only trust that they are wisely led by those in charge of them, so that they will grow to be strong and practical supporters of the doctrine that "a tenth belongs to God."

The memory of the homes in which I have found such kind hospitality as I have journeyed from the Adirondacks to the Rocky Mountains is a delight to me. May Heaven's richest blessing rest upon them all!

(Report of MRS. DELLA C. GEGGIE.)

I HAVE traveled in the interest of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, from June 12th to October 1st, three thousand five hundred and ninety-nine miles.

Conferences visited	4
Churches visited having no Auxiliaries	22
Churches visited having Auxiliaries	12
Conference Annual Meetings	3
Conference Anniversaries	1
Camp-meetings	2
Organizations effected	11
Young Woman's Home Missionary Societies	1
Number of members secured	185
Number of addresses given	41

In no Church visited has the pastor refused the presentation of our work.

Feeling it my duty as General Organizer to present the work of the Society in its entirety, I have asked the privilege in each Church visited to address the Sunday-schools on Tithing. The result of that effort has been 1,712 Little Tithers under the age of twelve years.

Mr. F. E. Sutton, of Lake Linden, Iowa, gives five dollars per year, and Mr. C. M. Bean, of Ironwood, Iowa, five dollars per year, the former to General Fund, the latter to Deaconess Work.

ON DAY OF HUMILIATION AND PRAYER.

WE are happy to report a more general observance of the day this year than ever before, and with the best of results. Accounts of every interesting and profitable meetings came from New York, Buffalo, Cincinnati, Pittsburg, Denver, and many other places.

We need to enter the twentieth century very humbly and prayerfully. God has so wonderfully blessed us during this century that there is danger that our great prosperity will lead to pride and forgetfulness of God, and bring upon our country sure destruction.

Last April, Governor Rollins, of New Hampshire, issued a call for a day of fasting and prayer because of the decline of the Christian religion, especially in the rural communities. "Everybody knows," he said, "that when the restraining influences of religion are withdrawn from a community, its decay, moral, mental, and financial, is swift and sure."

Dr. Buckley says this decline of religion in the rural communities can be paralleled in every New England State, and the same transition is now taking place in the Middle States. The rural population is ceasing to attend the house of God. Hundreds of societies have died out in New York, Pennsylvania, and New Jersey. This is indeed alarming, for the rural population has been the hope of the Church and State in the past.

It is a sad fact that Methodism, with its heroic and successful past, is now suffering an arrest of progress. With its large membership, its magnificent church edifices, its institutions of learning, its publishing-houses, its benevolent societies, its great wealth and influence, it is having little or no increase.

More than two-thirds of the membership and over nine-tenths of the teachers of the Sabbath-school are women. It behooves us to inquire of God why this lack of aggressive power, and humbly and prayerfully to seek the remedy.

Intemperance, the great enemy of everything that is good, is still filling the land with distress and woe. Are we doing all we can or should to stop this monster iniquity, or do we pass by on the other side?

The Sabbath is the corner-stone of our civilization, and is a boon and not a burden. But Sabbath desecration is growing to an alarming extent.

Bad men and angels never invented a more debasing religion in the darkest days of heathenism than Mormonism. It is not dead by any means, but now has 1,500 missionaries in the field, and claims to have baptized 11,000 proselytes in 1897, and more in 1898. It is growing and spreading, and is not only a false religion, but is disloyal to the Government.

Political corruption and labor troubles threaten the overthrow of the Government. Covetousness, pride, bitterness, are all too common.

The children of the land need moral as well as mental training, and to accomplish this the Bible should be restored to the public schools.

Is there not danger in our zeal for organization that we forget individual and personal effort? Nothing can compensate for this. Millions of people living under the most distressing circumstances and fearfully ignorant are soon to be brought directly under our influence. Their present condition is the result of four centuries of Spanish misrule and Catholic oppression. We must give them a better Government and a better religion, and need Divine help to do this. To fear God and keep his commandments is the best possible prescription for individual and national health and life. That we may do this, let us all observe the last

Thursday in February as a union prayer service. This is not understood to be a money day, but one of confession and prayer. The preparation of programs will be in the hands of the Presbyterian ladies this year; but they will doubtless be ready in time, and can be had by applying to Miss Martha Van Marter, of New York.

MRS. MARY C. HICKMAN, *Chairman.*

ON YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK.

WHEREAS, It is important that the young people of the Methodist Episcopal Church shall be intelligently informed regarding Home Mission work; and

WHEREAS, There is a missionary movement progressing along the Student Volunteer line; therefore,

Resolved, That the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church recommend to the Missionary Committee of the Epworth League that it embody in its study of missions the direct needs of the work of the home field, as conducted by the connectional societies of our Church.

Resolved, That a Committee composed of the Secretary of Bureau for Young People and the Chairman of Leaflet Commitee, be appointed by this body to select suitable literature to be included in the Missionary Library and Reading Course of the Epworth League, and that this Committee correspond with the Chairman of the Missionary Committee of the Epworth League, urging the acceptance of this literature.

MISS BERTHA FOWLER,
MRS. EDWIN BARKELEW,
MRS. I. D. JONES,
MRS. SAMUEL HAZLETT,
Committee.

ON MITE-BOXES.

(For the year beginning July 16, 1898, and ending July 16, 1899.)

Number of mite-barrels ordered and sent	1,912
Number of mite-jugs ordered and sent	491
Number of mite bee-hives ordered and sent	4,517
Total	6,920

RECEIPTS IN CASH AND POSTAGE:

Received for sale of mite-boxes	$22 88	
Received for sale of mite-boxes in postage	10 47	
Received from the Treasurer, Mrs. D. L. Williams, for payment of mite-box labels	18 00	
Received of Treasurer, Mrs. D. L. Williams, for expenses, postage, stationery, etc.	8 66	
Total		$60 01

DISBURSEMENTS:

For expenses as above	$8 66	
For mite-box labels (24,000)	18 00	
Paid to Treasurer, Mrs. D. L. Williams	33 35	
Total		$60 01

Mite-Box Collections in Conferences.

(For the year ending July 16, 1899.)

Baltimore Conference	$514 89
Central New York Conference	143 31
Central Ohio Conference	224 95
Central Pennsylvania Conference	283 00
Cincinnati Conference	574 28
Colorado Conference	17 30
Detroit Conference	574 85
East Ohio Conference	309 12
Erie Conference	75 00
Genesee Conference	197 63
Maine Conference	28 77
Michigan Conference	145 24
Minnesota and Minnesota Northern Conferences	65 24
Newark Conference	593 48
New England Conference	141 01
New England Southern Conference	73 01
New Hampshire Conference	21 72
New York East Conference	163 36
North Indiana Conference	359 76
North Ohio Conference	73 86
Northern New York Conference	120 28
Northwest Indiana Conference	47 24
Northwest Iowa Conference	160 89
Ohio Conference	163 05
Philadelphia Conference	94 43
Pittsburg Conference	244 50
Rock River Conference	21 64
South Kansas Conference	1 65
Troy Conference	97 65
Vermont Conference	5 21
West Texas Conference	9 02
Wilmington Conference	129 46
Wisconsin Conference	9 75
Iowa Conference	88 87
Upper Iowa Conference	152 57
Des Moines Conference	20 48
Northwest Iowa Conference	187 09
New York Conference	50 00
Southern California Conference	108 14
Indiana Conference	157 22
Mothers' Jewels Mite-boxes	399 66
California Conference	200 00

Total amount reported collected in mite-boxes for the year ending July 16, 1899 ..... $6,079 29

Banner Conference is the Newark, New Jersey.

Banner individual mite-box ($25), Mrs. J. A. Grape, Baltimore Conference.

MRS. W. M. AMPT,
Chairman Mite-box Committee.

I append the following reports from the Divisional Secretaries:

Cincinnati and West Virginia Conferences.

(Reported by Mrs. M. P. BROWN.)

In many ways this has been the best year of mite-box work in the Cincinnati Conference. We find the Mite-box Conventions, the second of which was held in April, soon after the opening of the boxes at Eastertide, to be very helpful, and we recommend such meetings to every Conference. During the year it has been my pleasure to visit three of the four district meetings held in our Conference, to encourage and assist them in mite-box work. Our District Mite-box Secretaries are enthusiastic, consecrated women, always ready with every good word and work, and through their effective services we have been enabled to bring in a more complete report than ever before.

The Jewel boxes are gaining in favor, and the little ones are delighted with them. We are still placing the boxes in charges where they have no Home Missionary Auxiliary. We think this a very gratifying feature, full of promise for the future of our work. What we want is a Woman's Home Missionary Society and mite-boxes in every charge in the Cincinnati Conference, and to that end we are working and praying. "And let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us; and establish thou the work of our hands upon us; yea, the work of our hand, establish thou it." (Ps. xc, 17.)

New York and New York East Conferences.

(Reported by Mrs. MARY FISK PARK.)

NEW YORK CONFERENCE.

Number of mite-boxes distributed	282
Receipts	$176 42
Madison Avenue Auxiliary having given the largest amount	120 00

NEW YORK EAST CONFERENCE.

From March, 1898, to March, 1899	$156 14
Nostrand Avenue Auxiliary having given the largest amount	28 88

Detroit, Michigan, Minnesota, and Northern Minnesota Conferences.

(Reported by Mrs. FRANC I. ARMSTRONG.)

In attempting the mite-box work for the past year these words of Paul were ever present: "Prove all things, hold fast that which is good." We have proved that the success of the mite-box will be either great or small, according to the enthusiasm and energy we put into the work. We have proved the mite-box to be an important factor in securing funds for one of the dearest interests of our Home Missionary Society—"The Frontier Work." We will hold fast the good, successful mite-box worker in Conference, District, and Auxiliary, knowing that changes are not beneficial unless the Secretary is unable to attend to the duties of her office. The successful Conference Mite-box Secretary is the systematic one. The Conference, the District, or the Auxiliary doing the most personal work is the one which brings results. One Conference shows a gain on one district of $115.35 over last year—all due to systematizing the work and executing it with energy. This same district officer visited every Auxiliary on her district at least once, and sometimes more than once, during the year. The District Secretaries are urged to interest Auxiliaries with the plan of soliciting new members, and seeing to it

that the mite-box is presented, not only to every member of the Home Missionary Society, but to every member of the Church. In this way these little messengers are finding a place in the homes and hearts of the people. On one of our poorer districts one lady had over eleven dollars in her mite-box on opening day. On another district a poor Swede woman had saved five dollars in her box, others having three dollars or four dollars, which proves that if we put heart and prayer into our mite-boxes we will surely see results. Throughout our division we have distributed 936 boxes the past year; have reported cash, $735.08, a gain of $275.53.

By Conferences we can report:

From Wisconsin Conference, cash	$9 75
From Minnesota and Northern Minnesota Conferences, new boxes distributed, 206; amount collected	65 24
From Michigan Conference	145 24
From Detroit Conference	514 85
A gain of	203 31

Our Mite-box Department has not yet wrought all of which it is capable. In our hands rests the problem of solving its weakness or its power—which shall it be?

Pittsburg Conference.

(Reported by Mrs. W. S. BAILEY.)

It is an acknowledged fact that, when we work with a definite aim in view and according to a fixed plan, our energies and sympathies are kept steadily on the object to be attained, and our interests increase as we strive for the final object of the work. Such has been the case with the mite-box work of the Pittsburg Conference. Since the work of the Travelers' Aid has been organized at the Union Station, and the money obtained from the mite-boxes has gone for its support, the contributions have been doubled.

Of all departments of the Deaconess Work, none is of more importance than the Travelers' Aid work, none broader or further reaching in its scope of usefulness; it is within its power to extend help and comfort and information to all, but especially to the poor and unprotected who travel on our railroads. Many touching incidents of what it has been able to accomplish, and of the blessing it has been to many who have come under its helpful and blessed influence, could be cited; but time will not permit. In the interests and for the support of this God-given work, the co-operation of every member of the Society is asked.

If the contributions for this year could be doubled again, how much more could its power for good be felt, and its scope of usefulness and helpfulness be increased and extended. With a little help from each member it can be done; for remember, dear sisters, that when we do an act of kindness, however small, to one of the least of God's children, we do it unto him.

Ohio, East Ohio, Central Ohio, and West Texas Conferences.

(Reported by Mrs. E. W. SEEDS.)

The Conferences in the division assigned to me are doing very good work, are better organized than a year ago, and the Secretaries for the most part are doing efficient work. Their reports, with one exception, were made promptly, and in a very attractive way. In the one Conference which was the exception a change has been made in the office of Secretary, which, we hope, will secure good work there. The receipts from the mite-boxes in these Conferences show an increase of sixteen per cent

over last year. From the five Southern Conferences in this division I have had but one report, and that comes from Mrs. Spriggs, of the West Texas. In the other four—viz., Texas, Alabama, Tennessee, and East Tennessee—there seems to have been no organization, and although I have spent a great deal of time and correspondence trying to effect an organization, I have been able to accomplish very little so far, owing to the difficulty of securing the addresses of and replies from the officers of the societies in these Conferences. In a number of instances I have written to the ladies whose names were furnished me, only to be advised by them that they were not now, and had not been for some time, in any official position. This correspondence I shall continue until an organization as efficient as may be for the mite-box work is effected. For this work we need deeper devotion, more earnest service, and throughout the planning and working let us seek more earnestly the all-prevailing Help, the Holy Spirit, without whom all other helps are of no permanent value.

Some of the ladies have an item of interest they wish me to mention. It is that we have an Auxiliary in the Ohio Conference that will raise one hundred dollars in their mite-boxes this year, to educate a deaconess in the Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.

ON BEQUEST AND DEVISE.

MRS. LAURA FELLOWS, Lyons, N. Y., bequeathed the sum of $250 to our Society.

From the estate of Elizabeth J. Keeney, Manchester, Conn., we are to receive $100.

Mrs. Hannah Elizabeth Griffin, Rensselaer, N. Y., bequeaths to our Society property for the Elizabeth W. Griffin Deaconess Home, with furniture, carpets, etc., and $1,000 for repairs.

By the will of Harriet E. Lewis, Madison, N. Y., the Society is to receive $1,000.

Hannah C. Dever, Springfield, Mo., bequeaths to the Society all her property in Nebraska, an entire section, for the Mothers' Jewels Home.

By the will of Rebecca Pettis, Providence, R. I., we are to receive $200, $100 for the General Fund, and $100 for Camden, through the Conference Secretary.

Mrs. Horace Crary, of Binghamton, N. Y., left a will by which she gave to our Society $25,000.

Mrs. Mary R. Crawford, of Williamsport, Pa., bequeathed to us $1,000, to be used for the general work.

From Mrs. Mary Riggins, Pokagon, Mich., Niles District Woman's Home Missionary Society received $200.

The following bequests have been paid into the treasury within the last fiscal year:

Mrs. Burns, Detroit, Mich., $1,880.
Mrs. Katharine Harvey, Eaton Rapids, Mich., $200.
From the estate of Sarah Lankford Palmer, New York, $3,184.59.
Mrs. Eliza W. Savage, Berea, Ohio, $100.
Experience Gardner, South Coventry, Conn., $250.
Josephine L. Wightman, Syracuse, N. Y., $393.43.
Julia E. Taylor, Rochester, N. Y., $800.
Rebecca Pettis, Providence, R. I., $100.
Mrs. L. Winch, Northfield, Vt., $475.52.
Mrs. Eliza Davis, Cincinnati, O., $70.
Miss Mary Lockhart, Mauch Chunk, Pa., $1,906.80.
Total amount paid into the treasury during the year 1898-99, from bequests.....$9,360 34

MRS. RICHARD DYMOND, *Chairman.*

ON INSURANCE.

Total Amount of Insurance and Premiums paid from July 1, 1898, to July 31, 1899, inclusive, on property of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

WEST HOLLY SPRINGS, MISS.—E. L. Rust Industrial Home.—No. 1,001,508. German. On building Industrial School, $1,250; on furniture, $250; on cottage, $300; on furniture, $100; premium, $40.75.

YORK, NEB.—Mothers' Jewels Home.—No. 10,003. German. On furniture, $350; premium, $5.25. No. 10,002. German. On building, $300; premium, $7.

LITTLE ROCK, ARK.—Adeline Smith Industrial Home.—No. 1,001,507. German. On building, $625; on furniture, $125; premium, $16.87.

SAVANNAH, GA.—Haven Industrial Home.—No. 1,001,383. German. On furniture, $500; premium, $10.

PAWHUSKA, OKLA. TER.—School buildings and cottages.—No. 1,652,822. Royal Exchange. On school, $300; on cottage, $600; on cottage, $600; on cottage, $300; premium, $54.

ALBUQUERQUE, N. M.—Harwood Industrial Home.—No. 334,846. Northern Assurance Company. On building, $2,000; premium, $60. No. 939.650. American Central. On building, $2,000; premium, $60.

JACKSONVILLE, FLA.—Boylan Home.—No. 1,000,787. German. On furniture, $750; premium, $22.50. No. 1,001,386. German. On furniture, $100; premium, $3. No. 1,001,384. German. On building, $1,100; on furniture, $100; premium, $36.

OCALA, FLA.—Emerson Memorial Home.—Dwelling and school. No. 1,001,224. German. On furniture, $900; premium, $27.

WHATCOM COUNTY, WASH.—School and dormitory.—No. 1,001,385. German. On building, $1,600; on furniture, $200; premium, $36.

ATLANTA, GA.—Thayer Home.—No. 1,001,524. German. On building, $1,000; premium, $20.

UNALASKA, ALASKA.—Jesse Lee Home.—No. 1,000,965. German. On building. $3,000; premium, $90.

Total Amount of Insurance in Force for the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

	Amount.	Premium.
ATHENS, TENN.—Ritter Industrial Home,	$12,500	$250 00
MORRISTOWN, TENN.—Industrial School,	4,000	80 00
CAMDEN, S. C.—Browning Industrial School,	78,000	234 00
MARSHALL, TEX.—King Home,	10,000	300 00
HOLLY SPRINGS, MISS.—E. L. Rust Industrial Home,	38,000	81 51
YORK, NEB.—Mothers' Jewels Home,	20,995	426 90
LITTLE ROCK, ARK.—Adeline Smith Industrial Home,	6,000	134 99
DULCE, N. M.—Indian Work,	2,000	40 00
SAVANNAH, GA.—Haven Industrial Home,	10,400	148 50
SAND FLY STATION, GA.—Industrial Home,	2,000	40 00
ELSINORE, UTAH,	500	20 00
LOGAN, UTAH,	3,000	90 00
PROVO, UTAH.	1,000	30 00
SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH,	850	12 75
GREENSBORO, N. C.,	2,700	81 00
ASHEVILLE, N. C.—Allen Home,	10,850	272 00
ORANGEBURG, S. C.—Sampson Home,	3,000	75 00
CINCINNATI, O.—Glenn Home,	9,500	39 50
MADALIN, N. Y.,	10,000	207 50
PAWHUSKA, OKLA. TER.,	1,800	54 00
PONCA, INDIAN TER.,	400	12 00
ALBUQUERQUE, N. M. . Harwood Industrial Home,	5,000	150 00

	Amount.	Premium.
JACKSONVILLE, FLA.—		
Boylan Home Orphanage and Dwelling,	$6,450	$205 50
OCALA, FLA.—Emerson Home,	3,000	90 00
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASH.,	1,800	36 00
ATLANTA, GA.—Thayer Home,	5,000	100 00
NASHVILLE, TENN.,	1,000	25 00
UNALASKA, ALASKA.—Jesse Lee Home,	7,000	215 00
Totals,	$152,345	$3,451 15

Signed by Mrs. GEO. H. THOMPSON,
Mrs. W. A. GOODMAN, JR.,
Mrs. I. D. JONES.

ON BY-LAWS.

THE By-laws Committee desire to make the following recommendations:

1. Seventeenth Annual Report, By-law 13, paragraph 9, substitute the word "Managers" for "Management."

2. Page 288, By-law 13, paragraph 1, after the word "Assistant" insert the words "and Field," and after the word "established" add the words, "and three additional members, of whom at least one shall be a deaconess."

3. Paragraph 11 be added to By-law 13, page 289, as follows: "The Superintendent of any Deaconess Home associated with the Woman's Home Missionary Society shall be a member of the Executive Board of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Conference in which the Home is located."

4. That paragraph 12 shall be added to By-law 13, page 289, as follows: "The deaconesses of any Deaconess Home associated with the Woman's Home Missionary Society may select annually one of their own number, who is a member of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, to represent them at the meetings of the Conference Society."

5. That the paragraphs under By-law 13 be designated by the letters of the alphabet, instead of numerals as at present.

6. Page 287, Article II, paragraph 1, under Bureaus, insert a comma after the word "Secretary."

7. Constitution for District Associations, Article 5, strike out the word "only" after the words, "The Treasurer shall hold."

8. Page 292, Article VII, Young People's Work, paragraph 1, strike out the words, "over sixteen years of age," and read the word "people" instead of "persons."

9. Page 292, paragraph 3, strike out the words, "under ten years of age."

MRS. T. J. EVERETT, *Chairman.*
MRS. C. H. CARHART, *Secretary.*

ON PLACE OF ANNUAL MEETING.

INVITATIONS from Chicago, and a joint invitation from the Newark, New York, and New York East Conferences for New York City, for the next Annual Meeting, 1900, were extended. The invitation from Chicago was accepted.

MRS. G. R. BROWN,
MRS. MAY LEONARD WOODRUFF,
MRS. MARY FISK PARK,
MRS. H. E. KRAMER,
MRS. I. L. HUNT, *Committee.*

ON APPROPRIATIONS.

The Committee on Finance recommended the following appropriations for the year 1899–1900, which report was adopted:

Southern Work.

THAYER HOME, ATLANTA, GA.—Superintendent and assistants, salary and travel,	$840 00	
Cooking and sewing department ($175 conditional),	350 00	
Incidentals and furnishing,	200 00	
Student aid (conditional),	500 00	
Deficiency on last year (conditional),	200 00	
		$2,090 00
HAVEN HOME AND SCHOOL, SAVANNAH, GA.—Superintendent and teachers, salary and travel,	$1,602 63	
Incidentals, furnishing, repairs, supplies,	905 00	
Deficiency on last year,	200 00	
Student aid (conditional),	600 00	
		3,307 63
MARY HAVEN HOME, SPEEDWELL, GA.—Superintendent, and assistant, salary and travel,	$491 00	
Current expenses and repairs,	205 00	
		696 00
BOYLAN HOME AND SCHOOL, JACKSONVILLE, FLA.—Superintendent and teachers, salary and travel,	$2,147 75	
Incidentals, furnishings, and repairs,	600 00	
Student aid (conditional),	400 00	
		3,147 75
EMERSON HOME AND SCHOOL, OCALA, FLA.—Superintendent and assistants, salary and travel,	$1,051 17	
Incidentals, finishing third story, and furnishing,	500 00	
Building (conditional),	1,000 00	
Student aid (conditional),	300 00	
		2,851 17
ALLEN HOME AND SCHOOL, ASHEVILLE, N. C.—Superintendent and assistants, salary and travel,	$1,330 00	
Fuel and incidentals,	350 00	
Account overdrawn from General Fund,	100 00	
Student aid (conditional),	300 00	
		2,080 00
SIMPSON HOME, ORANGEBURG, S. C.—Superintendents and assistants, salary and travel,	$860 00	
Incidentals and improvements,	155 00	
Finishing Industrial Building,	200 00	
Student aid (conditional),	300 00	
		1,515 00

BROWNING HOME AND SCHOOL, CAMDEN, S. C.—Superintendent and assistants, salary and travel,	$1,560 00	
Repairs (conditional),	100 00	
Plantation work (conditional),	60 00	
Special Building Fund (conditional),	1,200 00	
Student aid (conditional),	250 00	
		$3,170 00
KENT HOME, GREENSBORO, N. C. — Superintendent and assistants, salary and travel,	$685 00	
Incidentals and improvements,	150 00	
Student aid (conditional),	200 00	
		1,035 00
NEW JERSEY CONFERENCE HOME, MORRISTOWN, TENN.—Superintendent and assistants, salary and travel,	$685 00	
Incidentals and repairs,	300 00	
Student aid (conditional),	200 00	
		1,185 00
RITTER HOME, ATHENS, TENN.—Superintendent and assistants, salary and travel,	$600 00	
Fuel and Incidentals,	250 00	
Sewing-machines (conditional),	80 00	
Student aid (conditional),	800 00	
		1,730 00
E. L. RUST HOME, HOLLY SPRINGS, MISS.—Superintendent and assistants, salary and travel,	$784 00	
Current expenses and repairs,	300 00	
Student aid (conditional),	300 00	
		1,384 00
BENNETT HOME, CLARKSON, MISS.—Superintendent and assistants, salary and travel,	$760 00	
Current expenses,	150 00	
Building (conditional),	5,600 00	
Student aid (conditional),	200 00	
		6,710, 00
EMELINE S. HAMLEN HOME, KINSEY, ALABAMA—Salary, one teacher eight months,	$320 00	
Student aid (conditional),	200 00	
		520 00
BENNETT ACADEMY, CLARKSON, MISS.—Superintendent and assistants, travel and salary,	$1,100 00	
Incidentals,	300 00	
		1,400 00
DICKSON HALL, CLARKSON, MISS.—Superintendent, salary,	$315 00	
Incidentals,	150 00	
		465 00
ADELINE SMITH HOME, LITTLE ROCK, ARK.—Superintendent and assistants, salary and travel,	$716 00	
Incidentals,	300 00	
Student aid (conditional),	300 00	
		1,316 00

TALIAN WORK, NEW ORLEANS, LA.—Missionaries, salary and travel,	$880 00	
Incidentals and rent,	280 00	
Student aid (conditional),	80 00	
		$1,240 00
KING HOME, MARSHALL, TEXAS—Superintendent and assistants, salary and travel,	$752 00	
Incidentals, repairs and furnishing (conditional),	350 00	
Student aid (conditional),	240 00	
		1,342 00
Total for Southern Work,		$37,184 55
(Conditional, $13,935.)		

Utah.

ELSINORE, COLUMBUS HOME—Teacher and assistant,	$450 00
Student aid (conditional),	80 00
EPHRAIM, PALMER HOME—Teacher,	300 00
LOGAN, PHILADELPHIA HOME—Teacher,	300 00
MORONI, GURLEY HOME—Teacher,	300 00
MT. PLEASANT—Teacher and kindergarten supplies,	325 00
OGDEN—Deaconess and rent,	250 00
PROVO, EAST OHIO MISSION AND DEACONESS HOME—Teacher,	200 00
SALT LAKE CITY, DAVIS DEACONESS HOME,	800 00
RICHFIELD—Teacher,	300 00
SPRING CITY, LEECH HOME—Teacher,	360 00
HIRAM—Deaconess,	200 00
Deaconess Evangelist,	200 00
Contingent Fund ($100 conditional),	400 00
Total for Utah,	$4,465 00
(Conditional, $180.)	

Spanish Work.

HARWOOD HOME, ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO—Superintendent and assistants, salary and travel,	$1,068 00	
Incidentals and furnishings,	600 00	
Student aid (conditional),	1,550 00	
		$3,218 00
EL PASO, TEXAS—Missionary, salary,	$480 00	
Incidentals and rent,	150 00	
		630 00
LAS VEGAS, NEW MEXICO—Missionary, salary,	$480 00	
Incidentials and rent,	150 00	
		630 00
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (conditional),	$400 00	
		400 00
KEY WEST—Referred to Board of Trustees,		
PORTO RICO (conditional),	$1,000 00	
		1,000 00
Total to Spanish Work,		$5,878 00
(Conditional, $2,950.)		

Indian Work.

NEW MEXICO AND ARIZONA, DULCE—Salary and helpers,	$1,210 00	
Incidentals,	150 00	
Student aid (conditional),	200 00	
		$1,560 00
NAVAJOES, JEWETT—Superintendent and teacher, salary,	$880 00	
Interpreter, salary, and board,	230 00	
Incidentals,	150 00	
Student aid (conditional),	150 00	
		1,410 00
INDIAN AND FRONTIER. PAWNEE, O. T.—Salary, incidentals, interpreter,	$560 00	
		560 00
PONCA, O. T.—Salary,	$480 00	
Incidentals,	100 00	
		580 00
PAWHUSKA, O. T., ADELAIDE SPRINGER MISSION—Salary,	$120 00	
		120 00
YAKIMA AGENCY, FT. SIMCOE—Salary,	$480 00	
		480 00
UKIAH, CAL.—Referred to Executive Board,		
STICKNEY HOME, NOOKSACHK, WASH.—Salaries,	$540 00	
Incidentals,	300 00	
Student aid (conditional),	800 00	
		1,640 00
Total for Indian Work,		$6,350 00
(Conditional, $1,150.)		

Alaska.

Salary, travel, and incidentals,	$1,065 00
Furnishing, repairs, and silo,	200 00
Student aid (conditional),	2,000 00
Hospital (conditional),	10,000 00
Total for Alaska,	$13,265 00
(Conditional, $12,000.)	

Immigrant Work.

IMMIGRANT HOME, NEW YORK—Salary,	$960 00	
Domestic,	230 00	
Rent,	2,500 00	
Current expenses,	500 00	
		$4,190 00
IMMIGRANT HOME, PHILADELPHIA—Incidentals and current expenses,	$300 00	
		300 00

IMMIGRANT HOME, EAST BOSTON—Superintendent and assistants, salary,	$1,036 00	
Fuel and light,	230 00	
Incidentals,	40 00	
Repairs (conditional),	300 00	
Medical Mission (conditional),	1,000 00	
		$2,606 00
Total for Immigrant Work,		$7,096 00
(Conditional, $1,300.)		

Miscellaneous.

WATTS DE PEYSTER HOME—Superintendent and teacher, salary,	$1,780 00	
Farmer,	420 00	
Indoor help,	350 00	
Current expenses, fuel, light, and repairs,	1,100 00	
Student aid (conditional),	1,320 00	
		$4,970 00
E. E. MARCY HOME, CHICAGO—Superintendent and assistants, salary,	$1,225 00	
Table expenses,	600 00	
Incidentals,	75 00	
Building ($1,000 conditional),	2,000 00	
		3,900 00
GLENN HOME, CINCINNATI—Appropriation ($2,000 conditional),	$2,500 00	
		2,500 00
MOTHERS' JEWELS HOME, YORK, NEB.—Superintendent and assistants, salary,	$2,300 00	
Current expenses,	2,800 00	
Improvements,	200 00	
Furnishing, lighting, and improvements (conditional),	2,450 00	
Student aid (conditional),	1,000 00	
		8,750 00
LUCY WEBB HAYES TRAINING-SCHOOL, WASHINGTON, D. C.—Superintendent and assistants, salary,	$1,840 00	
Rent,	1,400 00	
Current expenses,	5,000 00	
Repairs,	650 00	
Support of Deaconesses (conditional),	1,000 00	
Local City Work (conditional),	500 00	
Student aid (conditional),	3,000 00	
Rust Hall (conditional),	30,000 00	
		43,390 00
SIBLEY HOSPITAL (conditional, $7,000),	$12,000 00	
		12,000 00
BANCROFT REST HOME, OCEAN GROVE, N. J.—Current expenses,	$3,600 00	
Entertainment fund (conditional),	200 00	
		3,800 00
THOMPSON REST HOME, MT. LAKE, MD., (conditional),	$3,000 00	
		3,000 00
Total for Miscellaneous,		$82,310 00
(Conditional, $56,050.)		

Oriental Work.

SAN FRANCISCO (conditional, $1,200),	$3,000 00	
Building Fund (conditional, $5,000),	10,000 00	
		$13,000 00
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. — Student aid (conditional),	$300 00	
		300 00
HAWAII (conditional, $250),	$500 00	
		500 00
Total for Oriental Work,		$13,800 00
(Conditional, $6,750.)		

Deaconess Work (Conditional).

ALDRICH MEMORIAL HOME, GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.,	$2,500 00
BALTIMORE HOME, BALTIMORE, MD.,	20,000 00
BIDWELL HOME, DES MOINES, IOWA,	1,200 00
BROOKLYN HOME, BROOKLYN, N. Y.,	4,500 00
CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA CONFERENCE,	600 00
CLEVELAND HOME, CLEVELAND, OHIO,	4,000 00
COLUMBUS, OHIO,	2,000 00
CUNNINGHAM DEACONESS HOME & ORPHANAGE, URBANA, ILL.,	2,000 00
DENVER HOME, DENVER, COLO,	2,000 00
DETROIT HOME, DETROIT, MICH.,	3,000 00
FISK TRAINING-SCHOOL, KANSAS CITY, KANSAS (unconditional),	500 00
GENESEE CONFERENCE HOME, BUFFALO, N. Y.,	4,000 00
GRIFFIN HOME, RENSSELAER, N. Y.,	2,000 00
INDIANAPOLIS METHODIST DEACONESS HOSPITAL AND HOME, INDIANAPOLIS, IND.,	5,000 00
JACKSON HOME, JACKSON, ILL.,	2,000 00
KNOXVILLE HOME, KNOXVILLE, TENN.,	1,500 00
NEWARK CONFERENCE HOME, JERSEY CITY, N. J.,	2,000 00
PHILADELPHIA HOME, PHILADELPHIA, PA.,	5,000 00
PITTSBURG HOME, PITTSBURG, PA.,	3,000 00
SAN FRANCISCO HOME (unconditional),	1,000 00
SIOUX CITY, IOWA,	1,200 00
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, LOS ANGELES,	1,000 00
Total for Deaconess Work,	$71,500 00
(Conditional, $7,000.)	

Conference Work (Conditional).

MICHIGAN CONFERENCE,	$800 00
NEWARK CONFERENCE,	500 00
PITTSBURG CONFERENCE,	500 00
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE,	1,500 00
Total for Conference Work (Conditional),	$3,300 00

General Expenses.

Printing accounts,	$2,500 00
Office expenses,	2,500 00
Attorney's fee,	300 00
Interest on endowments, annuities, and notes,	2,000 00
Insurance,	600 00
Leaflets,	75 00
Incidentals,	2,000 00
Total General Expenses,	$9,975 00

GRAND TOTAL,	$192,123 55
UNCONDITIONAL,	87,508 55
CONDITIONAL,	104,615 00

Summary.

	Unconditional.	Conditional.
Southern Work,	$23,769 55	$13,935 00
Utah,	4,285 00	180 00
Spanish Work,	2,928 00	2,950 00
Indian Work	5,200 00	1,150 00
Alaska,	1,265 00	12,000 00
Immigrant Work,	5,796 00	1,300 00
Miscellaneous,	26,260 00	56,050 00
Oriental Work,	7,050 00	6,750 00
Deaconess Work,	1,500 00	7,000 00
Conference Work,		3,300 00
General Expenses,	9,975 00	
Total,	$87,508 55	$104,615 00

The following resolutions were reported by the Finance Committee:

1. That Bureau Secretaries receive cash credit on contributions to the Twentieth-century Fund for money expended by them during the year 1900, in the supervision and visitation of their fields of work.

2. That the new work at Kinsey, Ala., be placed in the Bureau for Georgia, in charge of Mrs. G. E. Palen.

3. That the work in Porto Rico be put in the Bureau with the Spanish-New Mexican work, in charge of Mrs. Kent. (Later, it being determined that at present the work would be in charge of deaconesses, on Mrs. Kent's recommendation the Porto Rican work was by the Executive Board transferred to the Deaconess Bureau.)

4. That in consideration of Mrs. W. C. DePauw's generous gifts to the Society she be made an Honorary Patron.

MRS. DELIA LATHROP WILLIAMS, *Chairman.*

REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

MRS. DELIA L. WILLIAMS,
In account with the WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY,

July 15, 1898, to July 15, 1899.

RECEIPTS FROM CONFERENCES.

Austin Conference.

Special Fund.—*Rest Home.*—Gift of Mrs. Bishop McCabe, $5.
Total, $5.

Total Special Fund, ... $5.00.
Grand Total, ... 5.00.

Baltimore Conference.

MRS. M. E. BROWN, Treasurer, 902 Fourteenth Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

General Fund.—BALTIMORE DISTRICT.—Baltimore: Eutaw Street, $5.50; First Church, $116; Junior, $10; Madison Avenue, $103; Junior, $4.50; Mt. Vernon Place, $25; South Baltimore, $38; Strawbridge, $87; Wesley Chapel, $23.25; Woodberry: Grace, $16.25. Total, $428.50.

EAST BALTIMORE DISTRICT.—Baltimore: Broadway, $25; Canton Street, $25.15; East Baltimore, $33.50; Exeter Street, $5.75; Harford Avenue, $19.55; Green Mountain Avenue, $1.25; Jefferson Street, $7.75; Montford Avenue, $15.25; Madison Square, $11.25; Waverly, $2; Monument Street, $25.25; Martinsburg, $24.75. Total, $196.45.

FREDERICK DISTRICT.—Cumberland: Center Street, $39.25; Ijamsville, $8. Total, $47.25.

WASHINGTON DISTRICT.—Washington: Anacostia, $30.50; Douglas Memorial, $22; Dumbarton, $22; Foundry, $35; Junior, $24.50; Hamline, $123; Junior, $21.80; Kensington, $18.60; Jewels, 70 cents; Metropolitan, $50.50; McKendree, $11.20; Junior, $23; Jewels, $2.58; Ryland, $26.68; St. Paul, $39.25; Trinity, $38.90; Twelfth Street, $38.50; Union, $23.50; Jewels, 10 cents; Waugh, $37.25; Junior, $3.12; Wesley, $36.75; Junior, $10.75.
Total, $640.18.

WEST BALTIMORE DISTRICT.—Bethany, $37.75; Columbia Avenue, $19; Emory, $2; Fayette Street, $47; Junior, $12.91; Franklin Street, $26.25; Grace, $1; Junior, $2; Harlem Park, $35; Hempstead Circuit: Juniors, 50 cents; Jewels, 20 cents; Union Square, $31; West Baltimore, $38.95; Walbrook, $16.50. Total, $369.06.

Of the above amount, $33.92 is half dues received by voucher.

Leaflet, $3.50.
Life Membership, $20.
Mite-box, $1.47.
Gifts, $102.
By Voucher, $17.49.

Total General Fund, ... $1,825.90.

Emergency Fund.—Washington: Twelfth Street, $5; East Baltimore: Broadway, $10; East Baltimore, $6; Harford Avenue, $11; Monument Street, $5. Total, $37.

Missionary's Salary.—Baltimore: First Church, $5, Junior, $10; South Baltimore, $7; Wesley Chapel, $3; Dumbarton, $4; Hamline, $10; Metropolitan, $25; St. Paul's $9; East Baltimore: Broadway, $10; East Baltimore, $7; Monument Street, $5; Columbia Avenue, $5. Total, $100.

Total Special General Fund, ... $137.

Scholarship Fund.—*Harwood.*—Hamline, $30; Ijamsville, $10. Total, $40.

Jesse Lee.—Baltimore: Madison Avenue, $50; Hamline Junior, $50; Waugh, $50; Wesley Junior, $50. Total, $200.

Oriental.—Washington: Douglas Memorial, $2.50; Foundry, $5; Junior, $5; Hamline, $5.25; Kensington, $2.25; Metropolitan, $5; McKendree Junior, $5; Ryland, $5; St. Paul, $10; Twelfth Street, $2.50; Wesley, $2.50. Total, $50.

Watts de Peyster.—Washington: Douglas Memorial, $2.50; Foundry, $6; Junior, $4; Hamline, $10.56; Gaithersburg, $1; McKendree Junior, $5; Ryland, $5; St. Paul, $10; Trinity, $2.50; Twelfth Street, $3.54; Wesley, $10; East Broadway: Canton Street, $2; Harford Avenue, $1; Monument Street, $5.50; Martinsburg, $5; Ijamsville, $1.40; West Baltimore: Catonsville, $2; Fowleburg, $1; Garrett's Park, $1; Hallthorpe, $1; Memorial, $1; Sykesville, $2; Union Square, $1; Westminster, $1.

By Voucher, $30. Total, $115.

Lucy Webb Hayes Home.—By Voucher, $62.50.

Total to Scholarship Fund, ... $467.50.

Special Fund.—*Immigrant Home, New York.*—Washington: Foundry, $5; Junior, $10; East Baltimore, $6; Harford Avenue, $4. Total, $25.

Jesse Lee Hospital.—Baltimore: First Church, $5; Madison Avenue, $21; Strawbridge, $10; Washington: Foundry, $25; Junior, $25; Hamline, $10; Metropolitan, $5; Ryland, $5; St. Paul's, $16; Trinity, $15; Harford Avenue, $10. Total, $147.

Rest Home.—Baltimore: First Church, $1; Madison Avenue, $1; Strawbridge, $1; South Baltimore, $1; Wesley Chapel, $1; Bethany, $1; Fayette Street, $1; Junior, $1; Grace, $1; Harlem Park, $1; Union Square, $1; West Baltimore, $1; East Baltimore: Broadway, $1; Harford Avenue, $1; Monument Street, $1; Washington: Foundry, $6; Junior, $5; Hamline, $15; Junior, $10; Metropolitan, $10; Ryland, $5; St. Paul, $10.

By Voucher, $16. Total, $92.

Rust Hall.—Washington: Metropolitan, $25; Dr. Ames, $25. Total, $50.

By Voucher.—Deaconess Home, Baltimore, $2,756.29; Sibley Hospital, $1,010.33; Lucy Webb Hayes, $1,291.21; Watts de Peyster, $5; Bohemian Building, $2,822.91.

Total to Special Fund, ... $9,199.02.
Grand total, ... 11,625.42.

California Conference.

MRS. ABBIE A. STUDLEY, 727 Shotwell Street, Treasurer.

General Fund.—NAPA DISTRICT.—Napa: Centenary, $5; Occidental, $2.50; Petaluma, $12.57; Santa Rosa, $10. Total, $30.07.

OAKLAND DISTRICT.—Alameda: First Church, $9.50; Berkeley, $13.50; Circle, $3; Oakland: Chester Street, $2.32; Shattuck Avenue, $3.75: Eighth Avenue, $13.25; First Church, $35.50; Circle, $10.50; Stockton: Central, $15.88; Modesto, 62 cents. Total, $107.82.

SACRAMENTO DISTRICT.—Grass Valley, $19; Sacramento: Sixth Street, $12.50. Total, $31.50

SAN FRANCISCO DISTRICT.—Gilroy, $6.13; Gonzales, $1.25; Los Gatos, $7.50; Pacific Grove, $32; Salinas, $4.50; Santa Clara, $5 San José: Centella, $4.50; First Church, $27.55; Santa Cruz, $9; San Francisco: California Street, $11.50; Life Member, $10; Central, $22.50; Epworth, $1.62; Grace, $19.12; Howard Street, $8.50; Circle, $4.50; First Church, $5.50; Simpson Memorial, $9.50; Trinity, $9.75; Watsonville, $2. Total, $201.92.

Thank-offering, $29.90.

Leaflet, 75 cents.

Conference Collections.—California Conference, $30; Norwegian and Danish, $3. Total, $33.

Vouchers.—Half Deaconess Dues, $152.87; Frontier, $127.05.

Total General Fund, ... $834.88.

Emergency Fund.—$5.

Total Emergency Fund, ... $5.

Scholarship Fund.—Vouchers: Oriental, $1,047.13.

Total Scholarship Fund, ... $1,047.13.

Special Fund.—*Rust Hall.*—San José, Centella, $13; Vouchers: *Jesse Lee*, $5; Frontier, $94.70. Total, $112.70

Total Special Fund, ... $112.70.

By Voucher.—Deaconess Fund, $2,709.66.

Grand Total, ... $4,589.37.

Central Illinois Conference.

MISS ELLA G. TAYLOR, Treasurer.

General Fund.—GALESBURG DISTRICT.—Carthage: Circle, $8.90. Total, $8.90.

ROCK ISLAND DISTRICT.—Circle, $25; Battle Ground Aux., $11.25. Total, $36.25.

KANKAKEE DISTRICT.—Onarga, $19.55. Total, $19.55.

Total General Fund, ... $64.70.

Emergency Fund.—Onarga, $10; Gift of Mrs. J. S. Happerty and daughter, Tiskilwa, $10; Carthage: Circle, $8. Total, $28.

Total Emergency Fund, ... $28.

Scholarship Fund.—*Lucy Webb Hayes Home.*—On pledge, $25.

Total Scholarship Fund, ... $25.

Special Fund.—*Rust Hall.*—Carthage, $20; Onarga, $5.75. Total, $25.75.

Urbana Deaconess Home.—Rock Island, $10.

Marcy Home.—Rock Island, $15.

Total Special Fund, ... $50.75.

Grand Total, ... 168.45.

Central New York Conference.

MRS. J. F. PEASE, Treasurer, 107 Merriman Avenue, Syracuse, N. Y.

General Fund.—AUBURN DISTRICT.—Auburn: First Church, $51; Wall Street, $35; Clyde, $17; Jewels, $2.50; Ithaca: First Church, $44; Jewels, 34 cents; Ledyard, $1; Newfield, $8.50; N. Lansing, $1; Red Creek Circle, $7.04; Seneca Falls, $27.46; Jewels, 43 cents; Savannah, $14.23; Victory, $13.50; Weedsport, $48; Circle, $10.49; Band, $7.29; Jewels, 20 cents; Wolcott, $6.25. Total, $299.31.

CAZENOVIA DISTRICT.—Keeney, $8; Manlius, $23; Oneida, $32.25; West Dryden, $9; Canastota, $21.75; Cazenovia, $35.22; Chittenango Circle, $5.90; Band, $2; Cortland, $74.69; Band, $2.25; Jewels, 10 cents; Mrs. C. F. Peck, $10; DeRuyter, $11.25; DeWitt, $13; Jewels, $2; Homer, $41.98. Total, $295.39.

ELMIRA DISTRICT.—Beaver Dam, $1; Canton, $20; Circle, $6.35; Cato, 30 cents; Elmira: First Church, $40; Home Lights, $16; Band, $3; M. Jewels, $3; Hedding Church, $54.04; M. Jewels, $4.32; Band, 35 cents; Horse Heads, $14.50; N. Chemung, $1; Riverside, $22.75; Troy, $23.10; VanEtten, $2. Total, $211.71

GENEVA DISTRICT.—Canandaigua, $40.25; Geneva, $48.75; Circle, $13; Lyons, $50; Circle, $3; Band, $5.75; Jewels, $1.90; Middlesex, $11; Jewels, 85 cents; Milo Center, $9; Dorcas Society, $2.25; Mecklenburg, $10; Newark, $37.25; Circle, $6; Palmyra, $31.75; Penn Yan, $39; Sodus, $7; Circle, $8.50; Seneca Castle, $39.05; Jewels, $1.55; Trumansburg, $16.25; Wayne and Barrington, $10; Williamson, $17.25. Total, $409.35.

SYRACUSE DISTRICT.—Baldwinsville, $49.66; Circle, $8.35; Band, $2.30; Jewels, $5; DeWitt, $11; Liverpool, $12.36; Syracuse: Brown Memorial, $34.50; Jewels, $2.40; Erwin, $16.70; Centenary, $64.31; Jewels, $4.91; Home Lights, $16.75; Band, $5; First Church, $70.50; First Ward, $26.50; Jewels, $2.45; Furman Street, $12; University, $54.75; Band, $3.04; Jewels, $6.30; W. Genesee, $33; Jewels, $2.75; Woodland, $10; Lafayette Avenue, $1. Total, $455.53.

Mite-boxes, $5.60; *Sale of Baking Powder*, $4.35; *Jewels*, Miss Van Marter, 70 cents. Total, $10.65.

Leaflets, $1.91. Total, $1.91.

Half-dues Deaconess Fund.—Conference Board, $111.89. Total, $111.89.

Total General Fund, ... $1,795.74.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency.*—Canastota, $12.18; Canton, $5.65; Catharine, $3; DeWitt, $12.17; Elmira: Home Lights, $6; Liverpool, $5; Lyons, $12; Milo Center, $9.88; Oneida, $10.52; Riverside, $4.50; Red Creek, $4.70; Syracuse: Centenary, $20; Syracuse District, $15; West Genesee Street, $14.80; Troy, $1.57; Victory, $5; Weedsport, $4.20. Total, $146.17.

Total Special General Fund, ... $146.17.

Scholarship Fund.—*Bennett Home.*—Canton: Queen Esther Circle, $30. Total, $30.

Boylan Home.—Horse Head: Voucher, $10. Total, $10.

Jesse Lee Home.—Penn Yan Circle, $50. Total, $50.

Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—Canandaigua, $5; Cazenovia, $2; Cortland, $10; Geneva, $2; Lyons, $8.20; Middlesex, $2; Newark, $6; Oneida, $3; Penn Yan, $4; Palmyra, $3; Savannah, $3; Seneca Castle, $2; Seneca Falls, $10; Syracuse: Brown Memorial, $1; Centenary, $5; First Church, $20; First Ward, $2; University Avenue, $9; West Genesee, $5; Trumansburg, $1.50. Total, $103.70.

Mothers' Jewels Home.—Elmira: First Church, $23; Syracuse: Furman Street Epworth League, $6; University, $1.40. Total, $30.40.

New Jersey Home.—Lyons Mission Band, $5. Total, $5.

Ritter Home.—Through Mrs. Chapman, $1.73. Total, $1.73.

Simpson Home.—Ithaca: First Church, $40; Syracuse: First Church, $40. Total, $80.

Adeline Smith Home.—Oneida, $5; Seneca Falls, $4.50; Weedsport, $5.50. Total, $15.

Vouchers.—Oneida, $5; Weedsport Band, $5. Total, $10.

Stickney Home.—Milo Center: Dorcas Society, $2.25; Penn Yan, $2.50; Weedsport Band, $1.80. Total, $6.55.

Total Scholarship Fund, ... $322.38.
Vouchers, ... 20.00.

Special Fund.—*Alaska Hospital Fund.*—Baldwinsville, $3.35; Band, 65 cents; Weedsport Band, $10; Mrs. Thankful Price, Cortland, $50. Total, $64.

Children's Home Missions.—Syracuse: Centenary, $2. Total, $2.

Frontier Work.—Cortland, $5; Syracuse: First Ward, $20. Total, $25.

Hawaii.—Auburn: First Church, $2; Cazenovia, 65 cents; Cortland, $1; DeWitt, $1; Elmira: Hedding Church, $5; Geneva, $1; Middlesex, $1.48; Oneida, $1.25; Palmyra, $1.12; Penn Yan, $1; Seneca Castle, 50 cents; Seneca Falls, $2.50; Syracuse: Brown Memorial, $1; Centenary, $2.25; First Church, $5; University Avenue, $2.25; Trumansburg, 50 cents. Total, $29.50.

Immigrant Home, N. Y.—Auburn: First Church, $2; Cazenovia, 65 cents; Cortland, $1; Elmira: Hedding Church, $12; Geneva, $1; Middlesex, $1.38; Oneida, $1.15; Palmyra, $1.11; Penn Yan, $2; Seneca Castle, 50 cents; Seneca Falls, $2.50; Syracuse: First Church, $5; University, $2.25; Trumansburg, 50 cents. Total, $33.04.

Jesse Lee Home.—Auburn: First Church, $6; Cazenovia, $1; Cortland, $3; DeWitt, $1; Elmira: Hedding, $5; Geneva, $1; Meddlesex, $1; Oneida, $1.50; Palmyra, $2; Penn Yan, $1.50; Seneca Castle, $2; Seneca Falls, $5; Syracuse: Brown Memorial, $1; Centenary, $5; First Church, $10; University, $4.50; Trumansburg, $1.50; Weedsport, $4.20. Total, $56.20.

Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—Baldwinsville Band, $2. Total, $2.

Mothers' Jewels Home.—Canton, 92 cents; Syracuse: First Ward, $5. Total, $5.92.

Rust Hall.—Auburn: First Church, $6; Canton Circle, $5; Cortland, $5; Middlesex, $1; Milo Center, $2.25; Palmyra, $5; Penn Yan, $2.50; Syracuse: Brown Memorial, $3; Sodus, $5; Weedsport, $7; Queen Esther Circle, $15. Total, $56.75.

Total Special Fund, ... $274.41.
Grand Total, ... 2,538.70.
Total Vouchers, ... 20.00.

Central Ohio Conference.

MRS. J. M. AVANN, Treasurer, 531 Bancroft Street, Toledo, O.

General Fund.—BELLEFONTAINE DISTRICT.—Anna, $15; Bellefontaine, $77; Jewels, $7; DeGraff, $16.75; Hardin, $7.55; Quincy, $9.75; St. Paris, $15.75; Sidney, $38.50; Jewels, $3. Total, $190.30.

DEFIANCE DISTRICT.—Bryan, $20; Circle, $2.50; Defiance, $33.50; Circle, $9.29; Ottawa, $20; Pioneer, $30. Total, $115.29.

DELAWARE DISTRICT.—Carey, $14; Delaware: William Street, $60.50; Marion, $43; Maysville, $41.50; Band, $2; Mt. Victory, $11.25; Prospect, $14.70. Total, $186.95.

FINDLAY DISTRICT.—Ada, $25.25; Arcadia, $6; Benton Ridge, $8.75; Bloomdale, $23; Findlay: First Church, $46.10; Fostoria, $42; Fremont, $60; Houcktown, $6; Lafayette, $3; North Baltimore, $9.25. Total, $229.35.

LIMA DISTRICT.—Delphos, $10.85; Lima: Trinity, $55.75; Middlepoint: Grace Church, $5; Perry, $3; St. Mary's, $37.50; Van Wert, $23.15; Jewels, $3; Wapakoneta, $10. Total, $148.25.

TOLEDO DISTRICT.—Bowling Green, $29.75; Jewels, $1; Circle, $3; Gibsonburg, $22: Oak Harbor, $10; Prairie Depot, $1; Richfield: Farley Church, $9.75; Tinney: Zion Church, $15; Toledo: Broadway, $23.57; Circle, $1.50; Clark Street, $24.20; Jewels, 80 cents; Detroit Avenue, $6; Epworth, $19.50; Jewels, 70 cents; Monroe Street, $2; St. James, $5; St. Paul, $86.43; Band, $2.91; Primary Sunday-school, $20. Total, $284.11.

Leaflet, $1.75. Total, $1.75.

Total General Fund, ... $1,156.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency.*—Anna, $3.50; Bellefontaine, $11.88; Carey, $11; Delaware: William Street, $65.35; Lima: Trinity, $10; Marion, $8; Epworth, $1; Prospect, $10. Total, $120.73.

Missionaries' Salary.—Anna, $5; Bellefontaine, $15; Benton Ridge, $3; Bryan, $14.50; Defiance, $25.50; DeGraff, $10; Delaware: William Street, $35; Delphos, $5.72; Findlay, $10; Fostoria, $15; Fremont, $20; Gibsonburg, $10; Houcktown, $5; Lima: Trinity, $40; Marion, $15; Mt. Victory, $1; North Baltimore, $2; Ottawa, $10; Pioneer, $5; Prospect, $2; Quincy, $6.25; Sidney, $20; Toledo: Broadway, $9.75; Clark Street, $5; Epworth, $10; St. James, 60 cents; St. Paul's, $30; Van Wert, $6.87. Total, $337.19.

Total Special General Fund, ... $457.92.

Scholarship Fund.—*Boylan Home.*—Benton Ridge, $3.22; Delaware: William Street, $10; Toledo: Broadway, $2; Circle, $2. Total, $17.22.

Browning Home.—Toledo: Broadway Circle, $4.50. Total, $4.50.

Haven Home.—Anna, $10; Bowling Green Circle, $6; Toledo: St. Paul's Junior League, $6.67; Circle, $26. Total, $48.67.

Jesse Lee Home.—Defiance, $23; Findlay, $10; Fostoria, $15; Lima: Trinity, $10. Total, $58.

Lucy Webb Hayes Home.—Antwerp: by voucher, $25.

Mothers' Jewels Home.—Delphos: Band, $3. Total, $3.

Oriental.—Delphos, $1.50. Total, $1.50.

Ritter Home.—Fremont, $5; Lima: Trinity, $10; Mt. Victory, $19; Sidney, $45. Total, $79.

Utah.—Conference Meeting, $8; Fremont, $5. Total, $13.

Stickney Home.—Benton Ridge, $3; Toledo: St. Paul's, $10; Van Wert, $10; Band, $2. Total, $25.

Total Scholarship, ... $249.89.

Special Fund.—*Allen.*—Benton Ridge, $12.50; DeGraff, $5; Delphos, $1.63; Fostoria, $15; Houcktown, $1.50; Lima: Trinity, $40; Marysville, $5; Ottawa, $20; Pioneer, $3; Sidney, $10; Toledo: Epworth, $3.25; St. Paul's, $15; Van Wert, $2.28: West Toledo, $1.04, District Meeting, $5.75. Total, $140.95.

Jesse Lee Hospital.—Delaware: William Street, $5; Toledo: St. Paul's, $40. Total, $45.

Italian.—Delaware: William Street, $7. Total, $7.

Immigrant, New York.—Benton Ridge, $5. Total, $5.

Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—Bryan, $10; Fremont, $10; Lafayette, $2; Lima: Trinity, $20; Van Wert, $10. Total, $52.

Mothers' Jewels Home.—Fremont: Christmas gift, $9.80. Total, $9.80.

Rust Hall.—Bellefontaine, $30; DeGraff, $10; Delaware: William Street, $10; Lafayette, $5; Marion, $4.75; Ottawa, $10; Toledo: St. Paul's, $10; Van Wert, $18.15. Total, $97.90.

Yakima Indians.—Findlay, $5; Fostoria, $5; Fremont, $3. Total, $13.

Total Special Fund, ... $370.65.
Grand Total, ... 2,234.46.

Central Pennsylvania Conference.

MRS. J. P. LUCE, Treasurer, Harrisburg, Pa.

General Fund.—ALTOONA DISTRICT.—Altoona: Eighth Avenue, $20.25; Bellefonte, $11.70; Beech Creek, $1.75; Clearfield, $12; Phillipsburg, $23.50; Tyrone: First Church, $2.25. Total for first and second quarters, $71.70

DANVILLE DISTRICT.—Berwick, $10.25; Jewels, $1; Bloomsburg Jewels, $1.20; Hazleton: St. Paul's, $9.50; Mt. Carmel, $9; Mt. Grove, $6; Shamokin, $8; Sunbury, $14.50; Circle, $1.50; Jewels, $2.70.
Total for first and second quarters, $63.65.

HARRISBURG DISTRICT.—Carlisle, $11; Chambersburg, $4.50; Harrisburg: Grace Church, $23.75; Ridge Avenue, $10; Fifth Street, $15; Thirteenth Street, $8.75. Total for first and second quarters, $73.

JUNIATA DISTRICT.—Lewistown, $7.50.

Total for first and second quarters, $7.50.

WILLIAMSPORT DISTRICT.—Jersey Shore, $11.50; Milton, $8; Williamsport: Grace Church, $7; Circle, $1.75; Mulberry Street, $7; Circle, $5.50; Pine Street, $11.25; Third Street, $7; High Street, $5.25; Jewels, 90 cents; Lewisburg Juvenile, $1.15; Lock Haven, $8.

Total for first and second quarters, $74.30.

Dues for third quarter, $285.35; Jewels, $59.10; Leaflet, $25.

Total for third quarter, $344.70.

Total General Fund, ... $634.85.

Special General Fund.—*Teacher's Salary.*—Hazleton: St. Paul's, $20; Harrisburg: Grace Church, $5; Williamsport: Mulberry Street, $15; amount received in third quarter (no detailed report), $22.50.

Total Special General Fund, $62.50.

Scholarship Fund.—*Lucy Webb Hayes Home.*—Berwick, $4; Hazleton: St. Paul's, $3; Williamsport: Pine Street, $5; Mulberry Street Queen Esther Circle, $10; Clearfield, $6.10; Hollidaysburg, $4; Morrisdale, $5; Phillipsburg, $5; Carlisle, $5; Milton, $1; amount received during third quarter, $36. Total, $84.10.

Oriental.—Berwick, $30; third quarter's report, $15.19. Total, $45.19.

Ritter Home.—Clearfield, $25. Total, $25.

Mothers' Jewels Home.—Mite-box Fund, $24. Total, $24.

Stickney Home.—Mite-box Fund, $20. Total, $20.

Jesse Lee Home.—Mite-box Fund, $24. Total, $24.

Watts de Peyster Home.—$30. Total, $30.

Harwood Home.—$5. Total, $5.

Total Scholarship Fund, ... $257.29.

Special Fund.—*Rust Hall.*—Gift of Alice A. Llewelyn, $100; Williamsport: Grace Church, $10; Hollidaysburg, $3; Phillipsburg, $5; third quarter's report, $22. Total, $140.

Mothers' Jewels Home.—Lewisburg Circle, for desk, $5. Total, $5.

Deaconess Fund.—$48.50. Total, $48.50.

PortoRico.—St. Mary's Church, $5. Total, $5.

Bancroft Rest.—Phillipsburg, $5. Total, $5.

Total Special Fund, ... $203.50.

By Voucher, $257.41.

Fourth quarter's report was received too late for this year's report. No detailed report was received for third quarter.

Grand Total, ... $1,415.55.

Central Tennessee.

MISS ABBY BARRY, Treasurer, Nashville, Tenn.

General Fund.—Central Tennessee College, $8. Total, $8.

Total General Fund, ... $8.

Grand Total, ... 8.

Cincinnati Conference.

MRS. J. G. R. WRIGHT, Treasurer, Cincinnati.

General Fund.—CINCINNATI DISTRICT.—Asbury, $10.10; Avondale, $41; Jewels, 60 cents; Clifton, $1.10; Christie, $38; Band, $4.51; Jewels, $3; Cumminsville, $15.60; Band, $2.77; Jewels, 20 cents; Camp Washington, $1;

Delhi, $11; Delta, $1; Glenn Home, $25; Jewels, $6.50; Hartwell, $28.50; Linwood, $10; Band, $3; Milford, $11; Mission, $5; Jewels, 50 cents; Mt. Auburn, $25; Jewels, 60 cents; Mt. Lookout, $31; Jewels, $2.85; McKendree, $2; Norwood: Grace, $27; Price Hill, $29.25; St. Paul, $24; Jewels, $1.55; Circle, $3; Band, 75 cents; Trinity, $21; Jewels, $1.10; Band, $1.50; Walnut Hills, $81; Circle, $15.50; Band, $11.50; Winton Place, $21; Band, $7.50; Jewels, $7.40; York Street, $14. Total, $584.33.

DAYTON DISTRICT.—Amanda, $2.20; Brookville, $9; Dayton: Broadway, $48.20; Jewels, $5; Circle, $9.50; Grace, $99.15; Jewels, $7; St. Paul, $31.75; Circle, $4; Band, $2; Jewels, $1.91; Raper, $65.75; Circle, $23.35; Jewels, $4.80; Eaton, $32; Circle, $3.25; Ft. Jefferson, $1; Hamilton, $13.80; Miamisburg, $28; Middletown: Broadway, $40; Circle, $5.80; Jewels, $11.40; New Paris, $1; Oxford, $13. Total, $483.68.

GEORGETOWN DISTRICT.—Butlerville, $1; Centenary, $2; Owensville, $1; Ripley, $11. Total, $15.

HILLSBORO DISTRICT.—Greenfield, $22.75; Hillsboro, $46; Jewels, $9.46; Leesburg, $5; South Charleston, $8; Xenia: First Church, $43; Band, $7; Trinity, $65. Total, $206.21.

SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.—Franklin, $12.85; Greenville, $6; Mechanicsburg, $20.40; Piqua: Greene Street, $63; Grace, $36; Jewels, $1; Springfield: Central, $53; Circle, $6.20; St. Paul, $34.50; Jewels, 30 cents; High Street, $89.95; Jewels, $6.50; Band, $6.35; Jewels, $9.28; Troy: Mulberry, $81.80; Circle, $14.65; Jewels, $19.97; Urbana: First Church, $40; Band, $4; Grace, $36.05; Yellow Springs, $19.91. Total, $561.71.

Leaflet, $5.45.

Twentieth-century Fund.—$10.

Advertisements in Annual Report by vouchers, $45.

Total General Fund, cash, ... $1,866.38.
By Vouchers, ... 45.00.

Special General Fund.—Avondale, $37.50: Price Hill, $10.10; Cincinnati: Trinity, $10.73; Walnut Hills, $5; Mt. Lookout, $2.50; Pleasant Ridge, $20; Dayton: Broadway, $18.73; Grace, $15; Oxford, $5. Total, $124.56.

Missionary's Salary.—Avondale, $25; Dayton: Raper, $18; Circle, $5; Band, $2.25; Troy, $10; Springfield: Central, $3; Milford, $10; Middletown, $3.35; Mt. Auburn, $3; Xenia: Trinity, $10. Total, $89.60.

Total Special General Fund, ... $214.16.

Scholarship Fund.—*Boylan Home.*—Mt. Auburn, $36.07. Total, $36.07.

Harwood Home.—Cincinnati: St. Paul, $5; Dayton Band, $5. Total, $10.

Italian Work.—Middletown: Broadway, 76 cents. Total, 76 cents.

Jesse Lee Home.—Cincinnati: Walnut Hills Circle, $50.03; Conference pledge, $12.90. Total, $62.93.

Lucy Webb Hayes Home.—Conference pledge, $50. Total, $50.

Mary Haven Home.—Walnut Hills Band, $29.50. Total, $29.50.

Mothers' Jewels Home.—Westwood Junior League, $10. Total, $10.

New Jersey Home.—Winton Place Band, $5. Total, $5.

Oriental.—Mt. Lookout, $20. Total, $20.

Ritter Home.—Eaton, $25; Hillsboro, $10.50. Total, $35.50

Simpson Home.—Dayton Circle, $6; Grace, $20; Raper, $15; Circle, $35; Hillsboro, $5; by voucher, $20. Total, $81.

Utah.—$25. Total, $25.

Total Scholarship Fund, ... $365.76.
By Voucher, ... 20.00.

Special Fund.—*Allen Home.*—$2. Total, $2.

Bennett Home.—Dayton: Broadway, $23.61; Circle, $11.02. Total, $34.63.

Dulce.—$5. Total, $5.
Hawaii.—$5. Total, $5.
Jesse Lee Hospital.—Avondale, $5; Conference pledge, $19.10. Total, $24.10.
Rest Home.—Avondale, $5; Cincinnati: St. Paul, $5: Conference pledge, $9.40. Total, $19.40.
Rust Hall.—Avondale, $25; Cumminsville, $10; Cincinnati: St. Paul, $25; Walnut Hills, $10; Hartwell, $20; Dayton: St. Paul's, $5; Xenia: Trinity, $10; Troy: Mulberry, $10; Springfield: St. Paul, $10. Total, $125.
Simpson Home.—Dayton Circle, $30; Middletown, $5; Hillsboro, $5; Troy: Mulberry, $16.66; Springfield: Central, $5. Total, $61.66.
Conference pledge (undistributed), $5.
Immigrant, New York.—$25. Total, $25.

Total Special Fund, ... $306.79.

Glenn Home.—By Voucher, $2,232.38.

Grand Total, ... 5,050.47.

Colorado Conference.

MRS. D. K. LEE, Treasurer, Denver, Col.

General Fund.—DENVER DISTRICT.—Briggs Mission Jewels, $1.25; Denver: Asbury, $20.26; Jewels, $2.20; Christ Church, $18.50; Jewels, $5.75; Fifth Avenue, $16.50; Grant Avenue, $5.80; Grace Church, $7.30; St. James, $11; Simpson, $8; Trinity, $32.25; Littleton, $12.22; University Park, $9.70; Circle, $1.65; Wheat Ridge, $16.25. Total, $168.63.
GREELEY DISTRICT.—Bald Mountain, $5.10; Greeley, $15.55; Golden, $8.60; Idaho Springs Jewels, $5. Total, $34.25.
PUEBLO DISTRICT.—Canyon City, $12.30; Colorado City, $17.25; Colorado Springs, $8.50; Florence, $14.50; Pueblo: Broadway, $42.25; First Church, $12.65; Jewels, $2.50. Total, $109.95.
RIO GRANDE DISTRICT.—Grand Junction Jewels, $1.80; Delta, $5; Friends of Mothers' Jewels, $2.30. Total, $9.10.

Total General Fund, ... $321.93.

Of the above, $78.08 was received by voucher, and $66.33 half dues retained by Conference.

Emergency Fund.—Denver: Asbury, $9; Christ Church, $9; Fifth Avenue, $5; University Park, $1; Pueblo: First Church, $8; miscellaneous, $1.18. Total, $33.18.

Total Emergency Fund, ... $33.18.

Scholarship.—*Harwood Home.*—Canyon City, $4.25. Total, $4.25.
Mothers' Jewels Home.—Christ Church, $2.50; Grant Avenue, $1.20; Simpson, 60 cents; St. James, $5; Wheat Ridge, 85 cents; Mite-boxes, $4.85. Total, $15.
Jesse Lee Home.—Pueblo: Broadway, $25. Total, $25.

Total Scholarship, ... $44.25.

Special Fund.—*Dulce.*—Denver: Christ Church, $2.
Jesse Lee Home.—Pueblo: Broadway, $5.40.
Navajo Indians.—Mite-boxes, $10.
Dulce.—$2.

Total Special Fund, ... $19.40.

By Voucher, $865.43.

Grand Total, ... $1,217.86.

Columbia River Conference.

CARRIE VEST HELM, Treasurer, Ft. Simcoe, Wash.

General Fund.—Ft. Simcoe, $23.10; Jewels, 90 cents; Moscow, $6; Pendleton, $6; Walla Walla, $11.50; Conference, $76.

Total General Fund, ... $123.50.

Emergency Fund.—$5.

Total Emergency Fund, ... $5.

Special Fund.—*Alaska, Hospital.*—Moscow, $5. Total, $5.
Hawaii.—Ft. Simcoe, Indian Methodist Episcopal Church, $10. Total, $10.
Rust Hall.—Ft. Simcoe, $10. Total, $10.

Total Special Fund, ... $25.00.
Grand Total, ... 153.53.

Des Moines Conference.

MRS. B. C. HOHANSHELT, Treasurer, Villisca, Iowa.

General Fund.—BOONE DISTRICT.—Carroll, $36; Dallas: Center, $12; Mite-box, $6.80; Bethel Church, $11.75; Mite-box, $6.68; Dana, $8.10; Grand Junction, $10.79; Mite-box, $4.10; Jefferson, $50.75. Total, $147.47.
COUNCIL BLUFFS DISTRICT.—Council Bluffs: Asbury, $8.50; Capital Park, $9; Wesley, $7.40; District, Epworth League, $3. Total, $27.90.
CRESTON DISTRICT.—Elliott, $12.50. Total, $12.50.
DES MONIES DISTRICT.—Des Moines: First Church, $25; Grace, $29.50; Mite-box, 54 cents. Total, $55.04.
Leaflet, 75 cents. Total, 75 cents.

Total General Fund, ... $243.66.
Voucher, Half Dues, ... 43.25.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.*—Bethel, $3; Grand Junction, $5; Jefferson, $3.

Total Emergency Fund, ... $11.
Total Special General Fund, ... 11.

Scholarship Fund.—*Bennett Home.*—Voucher, $5.
Oriental Work, $8.75.

Total Scholarship Fund, ... $8.75.

Special Fund.—*Bidwell Deaconess Home.*—Des Moines: Grace, $10; First Church, $21.28. Total, $31.28.
Deaconess Fund, $25.55. Total, $25.55.
Hawaii, $3.75. Total, $3.75.
Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school, $5. Total, $5.
Mothers' Jewels Home.—Des Moines: Wesley, $5.92. Total, $5.92.
Philippines, $5. Total, $5.
Rust Hall.—Des Moines: First Church, $100; Wesley, $10; other sources, $2.25. Total, $112.25.

Total Special Fund, ... $188.75.
By Voucher, ... 795.73.
Grand Total, ... 1,199.64.

Detroit Conference.

MRS. C. H. MORGAN, Treasurer, Saginaw, Mich.

General Fund.—REPORTED BY DISTRICTS.—Ann Arbor District, $208; Bay City District, $123.25; Detroit District, $335.10; Flint District, $185.92; Lake Superior District, $46.25; Port Huron District, $60.62; Saginaw District, $135.15. Total, $1,094.29.

Mothers' Jewels Home, $20.22. Total, $20.22.
Gift.—Preston, $15. Total, $15.
Thank-offering.—Big Beaver, $3; Clinton, $8. Total, $11.
Frontier Work.—By voucher, $1,802.51.

Total General Fund, ... $1,140.51.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.*—Alpena, $5; Manchester, $5 Rollin Center, $5; Tecumseh, $4.25; Court Street Mission, 50 cents. Total, $19.75.

Total Special General Fund, ... $19.75.

Scholarship Fund.—*Asheville.*—Mary Palmer, $5; Saginaw: Simpson Church, $49. Total, $54.
Boylan Home.—West Bay City, $5. Total, $5.
Harwood Home.—Mt. Clemens: Little Helen Croman, $1. Total, $1.
Haven Home.—Detroit: Simpson Church, $40. Total, $40.
Italian Work, New Orleans.—Detroit: Campbell Avenue, 50 cents; Simpson Church, $1. Total, $1.50.
King Home.—Fenton, $2; Flint: Court Street, $5; Milford, $1.25; Venice, $1. Total, $9.25.
Mothers' Jewels Home.—Detroit: Cass Avenue Junior League, $50; Lincoln Avenue, $5. Total, $55.
Oriental Work.—Dansville, 50 cents; Detroit: Haven Church, 50 cents; Flint: Court Street Club, $1; Flushing, $2; Grand Blanc, $1; Holly, $1.50; Howell, $2; Mortonville, 50 cents. Total, $9.
Ritter Home.—Detroit: Cass Avenue, $40. Total, $40.
Utah Home.—A Friend, 50 cents. Total, 50 cents.

Total Scholarship Fund, ... $215.25.

Special Fund.—*Asheville.*—Alpena, $5; Bay City: Fremont Avenue, $2; Madison Avenue, $5; Harrisville, $4; Flint: Court Street, $5.42; West Bay City, $5. Total, $26.42.
Bancroft Rest Home.—Voucher, $38.10.
Cunningham Home.—Calumet, $20. Total, $20.
Frontier Work.—By Voucher, $1,375.40.
Jesse Lee Home.—Big Beaver, $5; Detroit: Cass Avenue, $5; Tecumseh, $4. Total, $14.
King Home.—Detroit: Campbell Avenue, 50 cents; Cass Avenue, $1; Lincoln Avenue, 50 cents; Simpson Avenue, $1; Flint: Court Street, $1.50; Holly, $1; Hudson $2; Jenners, $1; Marquette, $3: Sault Ste. Marie, $2. Total, $13.50.
Loan Library.—By Voucher, $132.35.
Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—Flint: Court Street, $5.75; Garland, 50 cents; Mayville, $1; Milford, $4. Total, $11.25.
Mothers' Jewels Home.—Caro, $5; West Branch, $2. Total, $7.
Navajo Indians.—Blissfield, $1; Chelsea, $1; Napoleon, $1.25. Total, $3.25.
Rust Hall.—Bay City: Annual Meeting, $13; Madison Avenue, $5; Bellville, 50 cents; Birmingham, 50 cents; Blissfield, 30 cents; Chelsea, $1; Chesaning, $3.55; Detroit: Campbell Avenue, $1.50; Cass Avenue, $3; Haven Church, $1; Simpson Church, $5; Lincoln Avenue, 50 cents; Tabernacle, $1; Flint: Court Street Club, $1; Mary Palmer, $2; Napoleon, 75 cents; Northville, $1; Preston, $5; Pontiac, $75; Saginaw: Mrs. Rosetta Brockway, $150, Saginaw: Jefferson Avenue, $5; Michigan Avenue, $5; Tecumseh: Epworth League, $5; Mrs. Wm. B. Pope, $5; West Bay City, $10; Wyandotte, 50 cents. Total, $302.10.

Total Special Fund, cash, ... $397.52.
By Voucher, ... 1,545.85.
Deaconess Fund, by Voucher, ... 2,822.46.
Grand Total, cash, ... 1,773.03.
Grand Total, by Voucher, ... 6,170.82.

East Maine Conference.

MRS. G. G. WINSLOW, Treasurer, Belfast, Maine.

General Fund.—Conference dues, $52. Total, $52.

Grand Total, ... $52.

East Ohio Conference.

MISS LYDIA E. DEAL, Treasurer, Dexter City, Ohio.

General Fund.—AKRON DISTRICT.—Akron: First Church, $153.88; Circle, $12.25; Band, $4; Mothers' Jewels, $2.70; Mite-boxes, $4.32; Jewels Boxes, $3; Main Street, $28; Atwater, $6; Bedford, $6.50; Bristolville, $17.62; Jewels, 40 cents; Mite-boxes, 50 cents; Mineral Ridge, $4; Randolph Circle, $10.75; Rootstown, $4; Warren, $46.50; Jewels, $5.50; Mite-box, $13.27; Windham, $9.25; Band, 60 cents; Jewels, $1.10; Mite-box, $4; Leaflet, 25 cents. Total, $338.39.

BARNESVILLE DISTRICT.—Barnesville, $38.25; Bellaire, $14.50; Morristown, $1. Total, $53.75.

CAMBRIDGE DISTRICT.—Cambridge, $50.65; Circle, $35.14; Band, $3.72; Jewels, $3.55; Dexter City, $11.50; Jewels, $1.70; Macksburg: Mite-boxes, $5.98; McConnellsville, $32.25; Rural Dale, $1; Leaflet, 25 cents. Total, $145.74.

CANTON DISTRICT.—Alliance: First Church, $41.80; Jewels, $3.80; Canton: First Church, $58.37; Circle, $14.60; Jewels, 40 cents; Mite-boxes, $10.66; Lisbon, $17.50; Massillon, $13; Mite-boxes, $5; Salem Circle, $17.50; Jewels, $2.30; Mite-box, $1.25; Leaflet, 50 cents. Total, $186.68.

CLEVELAND DISTRICT.—Cleveland: Asbury, $14; Broadway Circle, $5; Epworth Memorial, $53.50; Mite-boxes, $35; Euclid Avenue, $30; Jewels, $1; First Church, $33.75; Grace, $5.75; Kinsman Street, $5.36; Scoville Avenue, $17.80; Wade Park Avenue, $23.25; Jewels, $5.30; Wilson Avenue, $25; Mothers' Jewels, $5; Woodland Avenue, $18.60; Jewels, $1.40; Chardon, $7; Fairmount, $28; Geneva: First Church, $41.50; Second Church, $3.33; Little Mountain, $7.75; Mite-boxes, 75 cents; Mayfield, $10; Mentor, $1.50; Painesville, $25; Thank-offering, $5; Perry, $17.75; Walshfield, $2; Leaflet, $1. Total, $430.29.

STEUBENVILLE DISTRICT.—Steubenville: First Church, $26.75; Hamline, $33.22; East Liverpool: First Church, $62.80; Jewels, $2.50; Martin's Ferry, $60.10; Mingo Junction, $29.50; Jewels, $2.30; Mite-box, $6.40; Wellsville, $44; Leaflet, 50 cents. Total, $207.97.

UHRICHSVILLE DISTRICT.—Coshocton: Grace, $22.50; Uhrichsville, $16.50. Total, $39.

YOUNGSTOWN DISTRICT.—Ashtabula: First Church, $25.90; Conneaut: First Church, $17.90; Circle, $6.40; Clark's Corners, $14; Circle, 12 cents; Mite-box, $1.27; Thank-offering, $1; Cortland, $24.50; Jewels, $1.50; Dorset, $10.50; Greensburg, $16.25; Jefferson, $30.75; Mite-boxes, $6; Johnsonville, $1; Kingsville, $5; Mesopotamia, $4; Saybrook, $1.60; West Mecca, $5; Youngstown: Trinity, $12.10; Leaflet, 75 cents. Total, $185.54.

Total General Fund by Districts, ... $1,587.36.
Undistributed amounts, ... 83.18.
Total General Fund, ... 1,670.54.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.*—Ashtabula: First Church, $5.55; Barnesville, $2.25; Cambridge: Queen Esther Circle, $10; Canton: First Church, $10; Clark's Corners, $1; Cleveland: Broadway, $3.30; Euclid Avenue, $10; Dexter City, $17.80; Massillon, $11.46; Wellsville, $14. Total, $85.36.

Teachers' Salary, Adeline Smith Home.—Miss Nasmyth, Ashtabula: First Church, $4.65; Alliance, $11.87; Chardon, $4.60; Dexter City, $5; Martin's Ferry, $8.13; Salem, $8. Total, $42.25.

Bennett Home.—Cleveland: First Church, $25. Total, $25.
Boylan Home.—Miss Spear.—Painesville, $15. Total, $15.
Italian Work, New Orleans.—Miss Gibson.—Canton: First Church, $40. Total, $40.
Watts de Peyster Home.—Cleveland: First Church, $25. Total, $25.

Total Salary, ... $147.25.
Total Special General Fund, ... 232.61.

Scholarship Fund.—*Adeline Smith Home.*—Alliance, $20; Cleveland: Broadway, $20; Young Ladies, $40; Dexter City, $10; Massillon, $20. Total, $110.
Vouchers.—Cleveland: First Church, $5; Warren, $50.
Asheville.—Cambridge. $10; Cleveland: First Church, $20; Dexter City, $5; McConnellsville, $5. Total, $40.
Dulce.—Akron: First Church, $50; Canton: First Church, $3; Martin's Ferry, $3.35; Steubenville: Hamline, $3.33. Total, $59.68.
Harwood Home.—Clark's Corners, $3: Martin's Ferry, $2; Mingo Junction, $8; Wellsville, $8.35. Total, $20.35.
Italian Work, New Orleans.—Cleveland: First Church, Voucher, $5.
Jesse Lee Home.—Akron: First Church, $15; Ashtabula: First Church, $6; Canton: First Church, $12.30; Clark's Conners, 75 cents; Conneaut: First Church, $4; Cortland, $4.20; District Treasurer, $6.50; Warren, $5. Total, $53.75.
King Home.—Ashtabula: First Church Circle, $10. Total, $10.
Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—Cleveland: Woodland Avenue, $3. Total, $3.
Mothers' Jewels Home.—Cleveland: First Church, $50. Total, $50.
New Jersey Home.—Mentor, Voucher, $4.25.
Ritter Home.—Akron: First Church, $40; Cleveland: Wade Park Church, Mrs. Angie B. Lander, $40; East Liverpool: First Church, $20. Total, $100.
Simpson Home.—Cleveland: Woodland Avenue, Voucher, $21.25.
Stickney Home.—Akron: First Church, 96 cents; Salem: Young Ladies, $45. Total, $45.96.
Salem: Voucher, $5.

Total Scholarship Fund, ... $492.74.
Total Vouchers, ... 90.00.

Special Fund.—*Deaconess Home, Cleveland.*—Canton: First Church, $8; Martin's Ferry, $8; Uhrichsville, $8. Total, $24. Vouchers, $745.68.
Italian Work, New Orleans.—Cleveland: First Church, $7. Total, $7.
King Home.—Geneva: Second Church, $5. Total, $5.
Rust Hall.—Dexter City, $2. Total, $2.
Watts de Peyster.—Cleveland: First Church, Voucher, $25.

Total Special Fund, ... $38.00.
Total Vouchers, ... 770.68.
Grand Total, ... 3,295.07.

East Tennessee Conference.

MRS. CORA PROVINE, Treasurer, Bristol, Tenn.

General Fund.—BRISTOL DISTRICT.—Bristol, $6. Total, $6.
CHATTANOOGA DISTRICT.—Chattanooga; Wiley Memorial Circle, $6.25. Total, $6.25.
KNOXVILLE DISTRICT.—Knoxville: Band, $3; Morristown, $4; Circle, $2; Band, $2; Mossy Creek, $6.50. Total, $17.50.

WYTHEVILLE DISTRICT.—Christianburg, 25 cents; Dublin, $3.25; Graham, $3; Needmore, $4.25; Newbern, $2; Band, 10 cents; New River, $2.50; Pulaski, $13.77; Radford, $3.11; Tazewell, $7; Tiptop, $2.25. Total, $41.48.

Conference Offering, $16. Total, $16.

Grand Total, ... $87.23.

Erie Conference.

MRS. W. J. SMITH, Treasurer, North East, Pa.

General Fund.—CLARION DISTRICT.—Brookville, $24.55; Clarion, $29.31; Jewels, $15.50; Dubois, $16.65; East Brady, $7; Jewels, $5.20; Punxsutawney, $23; Ridgeway, $1. Total, $122.21.

ERIE DISTRICT.—Brocton, $16; Chautauqua, $16; East Springfield, $8.05; Erie: First Church, $70; Mite-box, $7.24; Simpson, $27.70; Tenth Street, $12.50; Forestville, $16: Fredonia, $30.25; Jewels, $1.80; Circle, $3.50; Mayville, $5.75; North East, $34.85; Jewels, 50 cents; Portland, $8; Silver Creek, $24.25; Wesleyville, $1; Westfield, $18. Total, $301.39.

FRANKLIN DISTRICT.—Chicora, $10; Emberton, $8.15; Franklin, $65.21; Jewels, $2.28; Mite-box, 50 cents; Oil City: Trinity, $51; Band, $15; Grace, $54; Mite-box, $5.95; Petrolia, $19.50; Tidioute, $14; Tionesta, $15.75; Circle, $5.40; Titusville, $15.25; Circle, $3.50. Total, $285.49.

JAMESTOWN DISTRICT.—Asheville, $7; Cattaraugus, $11.75; Corry, $28.80; Jewels, $1.10; Mite-box, $4; East Randolph, $10; Swinton, $2.10; Jamestown, $90; Mite-box, $9.35; Circle, $6; Kane, $41.40; Panama, $14; Warren, $53.10; a friend, for Twentieth-century Fund, $10. Total, $288.60.

MEADVILLE DISTRICT.—Cambridge, $17; Conneautville, $17.90; Espeyville, $14.73; Circle, $2.50; Greenville, $34.90; Meadville, $38.75; State Street, $7.25; Mill Village, $12.45; Band, 50 cents; Union City, $29.80; Woodcock, $10.50. Total, $186.28.

NEW CASTLE DISTRICT.—Clarksville, $1; Grove City, $30.65; Hillsville, $19.50; Mt. Pleasant, $3; New Castle: First Church, $32.50; Croton, $1; New Wilmington, $2. Total, $89.65.

District.—Members, $2; Jewels, 40 cents; Conference collection, $17; life member, Mrs. Wade, Portland, $20. Total, $39.40.

Leaflet, $1.74. Total, $1.74.

Total General Fund, ... $1,314.56.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.*—Chautauqua, Barber estate, $9; Conneautville, $1.01; Corry, $11.13; East Springfield, $2; Erie: First Church, $10; Simpson, $17.75; Tenth Street, 50 cents; Franklin, $10; Greenville, $1.06; Meadville: First Church, $20; Oil City: Trinity, $36.40; Mrs. O. D. Blakely, $20; Mrs. C. O. Mead, $10. Total, $148.85.

Teachers' Salary.—Brocton, $10; Brookville, $10; Cambridge, $7; Clarion, $3.15; Conneautville, $8; Corry, $5; Dubois, $3; East Brady, $6; East Springfield, $2.50; Erie: First Church, $25; Simpson, $6; Tenth Street, $6.56; Espeyville, $2; Franklin, $12; Fredonia, $15; Greenville, $32; Jamestown, $10; Kane, $15; Mayville, $3; Meadville, $19; North East, $15; Oil City: Grace, $15; Panama, $5; Petrolia, $3; Silver Creek, $10; Tidioute, $2; Tionesta, $4.30; Union City, $9; Warren, $10; young ladies, $2.68. Total, $276.19.

Total Special General Fund, ... $425.04.

Scholarship Fund.—*Bennett Home.*—Jamestown: Circle, $16. Total, $16.

Emerson Home.—Warren: Young ladies, $13.50. Total, $13.50.

Jesse Lee Home.—Warren: Young ladies, $10.32. Total, $10.32.

Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—Warren, $50; Oil City, voucher, $100. Total, $50.00.

Mothers' Jewels Home.—Hillsville, $5; Mt. Pleasant, $2.50; New Castle, $1. Total, $8.50.
Stickney Home.—Espeyville, $1; Franklin, $10; Grove City, $5; New Castle: First Church, $18; Oil City: Trinity, $10. Total, $44.
By Voucher.—L. W. Hayes, $10. Total, $10.

Total Scholarship Fund, ... $142.32.

Special Fund.—*Deaconess Fund.*—Ridgeway, $50; Dubois: Through Miss Durham, $62. Total, $112.
Dulce.—Chautauqua, $5; Fredonia, $2. Total, $7.
King Home.—North East, $25. Total, $25.
Rust Hall.—Through Miss Durham, $10. Total, $10.

Total Special Fund, ... $154.00.
Grand Total, ... 2,035.92.
Voucher, ... 10.00.

Florida Conference.

MISS H. E. EMERSON, Treasurer, Boylan Home, Jacksonville, Fla.

General Fund.—JACKSONVILLE DISTRICT.—Wrightsville, $12.90; St. Augustine, $12.50; Boylan Home, $3.55; Simpson Church, $5.55; West Mandarin, $1. Total $35.50.
GAINESVILLE DISTRICT.—Waldo, $4. Total $4.
PALATKA DISTRICT.—Little Chapel, $3; Newman's Chapel, $1; Benedict, $2.55; Ocala, $14.10; Key West, $3; Sanitas, $1. Total $24.65.

Grand Total, ... $64.15

Genesee Conference.

MRS. C. E. MILLSPAUGH, Treasurer, Albion, N. Y.

General Fund.—BUFFALO DISTRICT.—Buffalo: Asbury, $37; Central Park, $18; Delaware Avenue, $43; Circle, $28; Jewels, $8.09; Grace, Circle, $2.86; Hampshire Street, $15; Kenmore, $12.25; Linwood Avenue, $40.22; Jewels, $4; Circle, $7.28; Ontario Street, $12; Plymouth, $47.50; Jewels, $5.40; Richmond Avenue, $55.50; Circle, $9; Riverside, $33.25; Sentinel, $24.25; St. Marks, $13; Circle, $10; Jewels, $7.34; Springville, $8.50; North Tonawanda, $26.75; Jewels, $3.50. Total $471.69.
CORNING DISTRICT.—Addison, $7.82; Bath, $19; Jewels, $1.50; Canisteo, $17.50; Corning, $51; Hornellsville: Park, $28; Jewels, $2.20; Kanona, $1; Lent Hill, $7; Prattsburg, $4.25; Savona, $3; Wellsboro, $6. Total $148.27.
GENESEE DISTRICT.—Batavia, $41; Dansville, $10.52; Genesee, $33.45; Nunda, $1.50; Perry, $19.65; Silver Springs, $24.80; Warsaw, $18.50. Total $149.42.
NIAGARA DISTRICT.—Albion, $17.50; Brockport, $30.25; Holley, $7.50; Lockport: First Church, $16; Lyndonville, $3; Middleport Circle, $1.64; North Ridge, $10; Royalton, $7.50; Spencerport, $7.50; West Barn, $9. Total $109.89.
OLEAN DISTRICT.—Andover, $4; Bradford: Asbury, $3.75; First Church, $23.60; Condersport, $12.50; Jewels, $1.10; Franklinville, $10; Friendship, 50 cts; Hinsdale, $5.50; Limestone, $4.50; Olean: First Church, $21.70; Ninth Street, $5.25; Jewels, $2.10; Pleasant Valley, $18.50; Portville, $8.25; Juvenile, $2.15; Jewels, $3.30; Rushford, $13.50; Scio, $6; Wellsville, $26.25. Total $172.50.
ROCHESTER DISTRICT.—Rochester: Asbury, $62; Jewels, $1.60; Cornhill, $52; Epworth, $31; First Church, $44; Frank Street, 47; Juvenile, $3; Glenwood, $35.25; Monroe Avenue, $31; North Avenue, $16; Conesus, $1.50; North Coshocton, $7.25; Fairport, $3; Honeoye Falls, $28.75; Lima, $20; Livonia Station, $9; Loon Lake, $10.50; Penfield, $10; Walworth, $19. Total $430.25.

Undistributed dues, $138.05. Total $138.05.
Thank Offering, $30.60. Total $30.60.
Conference Collection, $8. Total, $8.
Leaflet, $1.50. Total $1.50.
Mite-box, $20.62. Total $20.62.
By Vouchers, $125.50. Total $125.50.

Total General Fund, ... $1,658.02.

Emergency Fund.—Rochester: Epworth, $3; Frank Street, $5; Glenwood, $3; Bradford: Asbury, $1.15.

Total Emergency Fund, ... $12.15.

Scholarship Fund.—*Allen Home.*—Canisteo, $10; Elba, $3. Total $13.
Bennett Home.—Lockport: First Church, $10. Total $10.
Browning Home.—By Voucher, $10. Total $10.
Harwood Home.—Hornellsville Park, $5; Rochester: Asbury, $50. Band, $20; Epworth, $5. Total $80.
Jesse Lee Home.—Buffalo: Asbury, $5; Sentinel, $5; St. Mark's, $10; Honeoye Falls, $25; Lima, $25. Total $70.
Mother's Jewels Home.—Hornellsville Park, $1.25. Total $1.25.
Oriental Work.—Buffalo: Delaware Avenue, $35.90; Hornellsville Park, $2.50. Total $38.40.
Ritter Home.—Wellsville, $40. Total $40.
Stickney Home.—Bath, $10. Total $10.
Watts de Peyster Home.—Monroe Avenue, $5. Total $5.

Total Scholarship Fund, ... $277.65.

Special Fund.—*Harwood Home.*—Frank Street, $2. Total $2.
Hawaii.—Rochester: First Church, $5. Total $5.
Immigrant Home, New York.—Kenmore, $2.50; Hornellsville Park, $2.50; Pleasant Valley, $6.20; Rochester, $10. Total $21.20.
Jesse Lee Hospital.—Albion, $5; Brockport, $5; Hornellsville Park, $5; Circle, $10; Epworth, $5; Circle, $5; Frank Street, $5; Livonia Station, $2. Total $62.
Lucy Webb Hayes Home.—Sentinel, $5. Total $5.
Rest Home.—Buffalo: Asbury, $5; Kenmore, $2.50; Linwood Avenue, $5; Richmond Avenue, $5; St. Mark's, $2; Hornellsville Park, $5; Cornhill, $3; Epworth, $10; Monroe Avenue, $2. Total $39.50.
Rust Hall.—Albion, $5; Buffalo: Asbury, $5; Hornellsville Park, $5; Rochester: Cornhill, $5; Epworth, $5; Frank Street, $5; Glenwood, $5. Total $35.
By Voucher, Deaconess Fund, $2,243.28. Total $2,243.28.

Total Special Fund, ... $169.70.
Grand total, ... $4,360.80.

Holston Conference.

MRS. J. O. LOTSPEICH, Treasurer, 507 East Fifth Ave., Knoxville, Tenn.

General Fund.—ATHENS DISTRICT.—Athens: First Church, $28; Circle, $2.25; Thank-offering, $15.60; Mite-box, $2.10; Baking Powder, $3.25. Total $51.20.
KNOXVILLE DISTRICT.—Knoxville, $5.50; Circle, $50. Total $55.50.
Conference Collection, $17. Total $17.
By Voucher, $379.56. Total $379.56.

Grand total, ... $503.26.

Illinois Conference.

MRS. M. K. HARDESTY, Treasurer, Normal, Illinois.

General Fund. — BLOOMINGTON DISTRICT. — Bloomington: First Church, $43; Jewels, $1.20; Mite-box, $2.05; Grace Church, $28; Thank-offering, $14; Delaware, $11.55; Leroy, $15; Lincoln: First Church, $25; Mason City, $7; Saybrook, $33.75. Total, $180.55.

CHAMPAIGN DISTRICT.—Belle Flower, $3.50; Champaign: First Church, $14.53; Farmer City, $13; Fisher, $10; Ogden, $3.50; Savoy, $14.25; Shiloh Center, $6; Urbana, $31.12. Total, $95.90.

DANVILLE DISTRICT.—Danville: First Church, $56.50; Thank-offering, $2.35; Rossville, $4; Sidell, $4.50; Sidney, $16.25. Total, $83.60.

DECATUR DISTRICT.—Assumption, $6; Cerro Gordo, $7.50; Decatur: First Church, $38.75; Thank offering, $27.02; Grace Church, $37.13; Pana, $2.80; Moawegua, $1. Total, $120.20.

JACKSONVILLE DISTRICT.—Barry, $1; Carrollton, $7.20; Greenfield, $18; A Friend, $3; Jacksonville: Grace, $41.15; Centenary, $20; Kinderhook, $2.85; Manchester, $7.75. Total, $100.95.

MATTOON DISTRICT.—Paris, $8.20. Total, $8.20.

SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.—Carlinville, $20; Young Ladies, $5; Edinburg, $6; Laomi, $1.25; Pawnee, $3; Springfield: First Church, $63.70; Circle, $4.70; Second Church, $28.50; Taylorville, $17.50; Williamsville, $10. Total, $159.65.

Collections through Curts & Jennings, $29.10. Total, $29.10.

Leaflet, 25 cents. Total, 25 cents.

Total General Fund, ... $778.40.
Vouchers, Half Dues, ... 14.52.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.*—Bloomington: First Church, $33.50; Grace Church, $5; Fithian, $2.40; Jacksonville: Grace, $5; Kinderhook, $2; Springfield: First Church, $32. Total, $79.90.

Missionary's Salary.—Champaign, $5; Decatur: First Church, $5; Grace Church: Epworth League, $5; Jacksonville: Grace Church, $5; Leroy, $1. Total, $21.

Total Special General Fund, ... $100.90.

Scholarship Fund.—*Bennett Home.*—Fisher, Voucher, $30.

Harwood Home.—Bloomington: First Church, $5; Champaign, $5; Decatur: Grace, $5. Total, $15.

Italian Work, New Orleans.—Bloomington: First Church, $5; Champaign, $5; Danville: First Church, $15.50; Decatur: Grace, $5; Leroy, $1. Total, $31.50.

Jesse Lee Home.—Bloomington: Grace, $5; Champaign, $5; Decatur: First Church, $5; Grace Church, $5; Leroy, $1. Total, $21.

New Jersey Home.—Jacksonville: Earnest Helpers, $5. Total, $5.

Oriental Work.—Bloomington: Grace, $5; Decatur: Grace, $5; Epworth League, $5; First Church, $5; Leroy, $1; Jacksonville: Centenary, $5. Total, $26.

E. L. Rust Home.—Decatur: Grace, $10. Total, $10.

Utah.—Champaign, $5; Decatur: First Church, $5; Grace Church, $20; Leroy, $1. Total, $31.

Total Scholarship Fund, ... $139.50.
Voucher, ... 30.00.

Special Fund.—*Bennett Home.*—Donations: Voucher, $10.

General Deaconess Work.—Arrowsmith, $6. Total, $6.

Harwood Home.—Danville: Mrs. Phillips, $11. Total, $11.

Hawaii.—Bloomington: Grace Church, $5. Total, $5.

Immigrant Home, Boston.—Decatur: Grace, Epworth League, $5. Total, $5.

Immigrant Home, N. Y.—Bloomington: First Church, $10; Grace Church, $5; Decatur: First Church, $10; Grace: Epworth League, $5; Jacksonville: Centenary, $5; Grace, $5; Leroy, $1; Saybrook, $3. Total, $44.

Jesse Lee Home.—Bloomington: Grace, $5; For Hospital, Bloomington: Grace, $5; First Church, $5. Total, $15.

Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—Sale of Books, $1. Total, $1.

Marcy Home.—Bloomington: First Church, $10; Grace, $5; Decatur: First Church, $5; Grace, $10; Epworth League, $5; Jacksonville: Grace, $5; Saybrook, $4.75. Total, $44.75.

Rust Hall.—Bloomington: Grace, $10; Carlinville, $10; Decatur: First Church, $5; Jacksonville, $10; Saybrook, $10; Taylorsville: Y. L. Guild, $10; Urbana, $5; Waterman: A Friend, $1; Through Miss Durham, $47.50. Total, $108.50.

By Voucher, Deaconess Fund,	$1,059.43.
Total Special Fund,	240.25.
Voucher,	10.00.
Grand Total,	2,373.00.

Indiana Conference.

MRS. C. S. CHAFEE, Treasurer, Greencastle, Ind.

General Fund.—CONNERSVILLE DISTRICT.—Brookville, $28.25; Connersville: First Church, $91.25; College Corner, $18.46; Robinson Chapel, $20; Rushville, $20; Shelbyville: First Church, $39.75; West Street, $14.60; Circle, $2.50; Jewels, 30 cents. Total, $235.11.

INDIANAPOLIS DISTRICT.—Barth Place, $6.50; Central Avenue, $49.75; Juvenile, $2.02; Edwin Ray, $43.25; Jewels, $1; Grace, $13; Roberts Park, $45; Jewels, 50 cents; Hall Place, $53.50; Mooresville, $36.75; Nineveh, $3.55; Greenwood, $13.50; Lincoln Avenue, $4; Wesley Chapel, $4.95. Total, $276.77.

MOORES HILL DISTRICT.—Greensburg: First Church, $44.40; Aurora, $13.25; Rising Sun, $15.50; Lawrenceburg, $37.25; Vevay, $1.75. Total, $112.15.

SEYMOUR DISTRICT.—Franklin, $27.75; Seymour, $19.50; Brownstown, $2.50; Edinburg, $2.50. Total, $52.25.

NEW ALBANY DISTRICT.—New Albany Circle, $2. Total, $2.

BLOOMINGTON DISTRICT.—Brooklyn, $6.10; Worthington, $2. Total, $8.10.

EVANSVILLE DISTRICT.—Evansville: Trinity, $10; Princeton, $8; Union, $4. Total, $22.

Without Auxiliary Credit, $6.60. Total, $6.60.

Leaflet, $3.25. Total, $3.25.

Jewels, $1.80. Total, $1.80.

Mite-box, $120.87. Total, $120.87.

Thank-offering, $38.07. Total, $38.07.

Total General Fund, ... $878.17.

Emergency Fund.—Connersville, $17.50; Barth Place, $2.60; Greensburg, $5; Shelbyville: Mrs. Gordon, $5; Seymour, $10. Total, $40.10.

Total Emergency Fund, ... $40.10.

Scholarship Fund.—*Allen.*—Connersville: For Lethia Alexander, $10. Total, $10.

Italian.—Edwin Ray, $1; Seymour, $1. Total, $2.

Jesse Lee Home.—Barth Place, $1; Rising Sun, $3; Seymour, $1; Shelbyville, $1. Total, $6

Mothers' Jewels Home.—Indianapolis: Central Avenue, $7.19. Total, $7.19.

Oriental.—Connersville, $1; Franklin, $5; Rising Sun, $5; Seymour, $5. Total, $16.

Ritter Home.—Greensburg: First Church, $7.25. Total, $7.25.

New Jersey Home.—Indianapolis: Central Avenue Band, $5. Total, $5.

Total Scholarship Fund, ... 53.44.

Special Fund.—*Allen.*—Barth place, $5; Greensburg: First Church, $7.25; Rushville, $3.45; Seymour, $15; Shelbyville: First Church, $7.80; West Street, $2.50. Total, $41.

Mothers' Jewels Home.—Shelbyville: First Church (to name room), $50; Indianapolis: Central Avenue (to name a bed), $23; collections from Jewels, $4. Total, $77.

Rust Hall.—Greensburg, $11; Shelbyville: First Church, $2; West Street, $1; Connersville, $10; Hall Place, $50; Edwin Ray, $12; Mooresville, $5; Rising Sun, $1.50; Seymour, $1; Princeton, $75; Brookville, $1.50; West Newton: Gift of Mrs. George, $10; through Miss Durham (no Auxiliary credit), $20.25; Indianapolis: Central Avenue, $5; Corydon, $5. Total, $210.25.

Marcy Home.—Seymour, $1; Shelbyville, $1. Total, $2.

Deaconess Fund.—Through Miss Durham, $115.82. Total, $115.82.

Total Special Fund, ... $446.07.

By voucher, Deaconess Fund, ... 402.06.

Grand Total, ... 1,819.84.

Iowa Conference.

MRS. W. F. COWLES, Treasurer, 707 Summer Street, Burlington, Ia.

General Fund.—BURLINGTON DISTRICT.—Ft. Madison, $12.35; Winfield, $6.65; Mt. Pleasant, $43; Mediapolis, $14; Morning Sun, $11.25; Burlington: First Church, $46.25; Grace, $22.50; West Point: Pitman Chapel, $4.50. Total, $160.50.

KEOKUK DISTRICT.—Chatham Square, $15; Milton, $8.25; Treasurer, $14. Total, $37.75.

MUSCATINE DISTRICT.—Washington Avenue, $60.50; Circle, $15.62; Marengo, $25.30; Jewels, 60 cents; Wilton, $26; North English, $4.50; Sweetland Center, $2; Williamsburg, $6.15; West Liberty, $9.15; Jewels, 40 cents; Ladona, $5.50; Jewels, $2.50; Muscatine, $3. Total, $191.22.

OSKALOOSA DISTRICT.—Brooklyn, $17.93; Grinnell, $23; Montezuma, $13; Sonora Circle, $5.45; Conference collection, $6. Total, $65.38.

OTTUMWA DISTRICT.—Albia, $20.50; Hedrick, $11.45; Circle, $8.20; Knoxville, $21.25; Lavilla, $5.75; Ottumwa, $57; Wellman, $1; Jewels, $1. Total, $126.15.

Leaflet, $1.25. Total, $1.25.

Mite-box, $11.36. Total, $11.36.

Thank-offering, $2.37. Total, $2.37.

Total General Fund, ... $594.98.

Emergency Fund.—Marengo, $6.72; Montezuma, $5; Ottumwa, $5; Wilton, $3.50.

Total Emergency Fund, ... $20.22.

Scholarship Fund.—*Immigrant, New York.*—Burlington: First Church, $5. Total, $5.

Jesse Lee Home.—Mt. Pleasant, $25; Muscatine: Washington Avenue, $25.50; Marengo, $6.78; Albia, $15; Grinnell, $10. Total, $82.28.

King Home.—Muscatine, $28; Ottumwa, $16.20; Washington Avenue, $40; Wilton, $4. Total, $93.20.
Lucy Webb Hayes Home.—Albia, $2. Total, $2.
Mothers' Jewels Home.—Montezuma, $5. Total, $5.
Oriental.—Keokuk, $6.85; Mt. Pleasant, $10; Montezuma, $10; Marengo, $4; Ottumwa, $7. Total, $37.85.
Stickney Home.—Burlington: First Church, $20; Grace, $11; Mt. Pleasant, $20. Total, $51.
Utah.—Marengo, $21; Ottumwa, $4. Total, $25.
Kent Home.—By Voucher, $16. Total, $16.

Total Scholarship Fund, ... $317.33.

Special Fund.—*Italian.*—West Liberty, $1. Total, $1.
Jesse Lee Hospital.—West Liberty, $5. Total, $5.
King Home.—Hedrick, $12.50; Circle, $12.50; Ft. Madison, $25; Wilton, $6; collection, $5. Total, $61.
Rust Hall.—Winfield, $2.07; Mt. Union, $5; West Liberty, $5; Mediapolis, $5; Ottumwa, $5; Washington, $10; Mt. Pleasant, $5; Montezuma, $5; Marengo, $2; Wilton, $2. Total, $46.07.
Bidwell Deaconess Home.—Centerville, $5; Mt. Pleasant, $12; Montezuma, $5; Washington, $5; Wilton, $12; Mediapolis, $2.75; Ottumwa, $2. Total, $43.75.
Marcy Home.—By Voucher, $5. Total, $5.

Total Special Fund, ... $161.82.
Grand Total, ... 1,094.35.

Kansas Conference.

MRS. H. HANTHORN, Treasurer, 929 Kansas Avenue, Atchison, Kan.

General Fund.—ATCHISON DISTRICT.—Atchison, $33.75. Total, $33.75.
JUNCTION CITY DISTRICT.—Clay Center, $11.50. Total, $11.50.
KANSAS CITY DISTRICT.—Argentine, $3; Kansas City, $40.50; Olathe, $1.25. Total, $44.75.
MANHATTAN DISTRICT.—Buck's Grove, $26.75; Centralia, $11.50; Fancy Creek, $12.75; Havensville, $12.50; Manhattan, $16.50. Total, $80.
TOPEKA DISTRICT.—Topeka, $39.25. Total, $39.25.

Total General Fund, ... $209.25.

Emergency Fund.—Centralia, $1.70; Conference, $3; Kansas City, $5; Argentine, 60 cents; Buck's Grove, $1.25. Total, $11.55.

Total Emergency Fund, ... $11.55.

Scholarship Fund.—*Harwood Home.*—$57.12; Buck's Grove, $10. Total, $67.12.
Lucy Webb Hayes Home.—Atchison, $6.93; Buck's Grove, $10; Centralia $10.20; Topeka, $78.89; Fancy Creek, $3; Havensville, $6; Manhattan, $10; Kansas City, $10; Olathe, $1.75. Total, $136.77.
Mothers' Jewels Home.—Topeka, $12.65. Total, $12.65.

Total Scholarship Fund, ... $216.54.

Special Fund.—*Deaconess Home, Kansas City.*—Kansas City, $19.95. Total, $19.95.
Dulce.—Atchison, $1; Kansas City, $2; Manhattan, 90 cents; Topeka, $1. Total, $4.90.
Jesse Lee Hospital.—Atchison, $3.44; Buck's Grove, $4; Manhattan, 90 cents; Topeka, $1. Total, $9.34.

Total Special Fund, ... $46.21.
Grand Total, ... 483.55.

Kentucky Conference.

General Fund.—Louisville: Trinity, $60.85; Lexington: Centenary, $12.75; Hardinsburg: Taylor's, $12.80. Total, $86.40.

Total General Fund, ... $86.40.

Leaflet, 25 cents. Total, 25 cents.

Emergency Fund.—Louisville: Trinity, $20. Total, $20.

Total Emergency Fund, ... $20.

Scholarship Fund.—Gift of Mrs. A. P. Jolly, $5. Total, $5.

Total Scholarship Fund, ... $5.

Grand Total, ... $111.65.

Louisiana Conference.

MRS. D. M. WALKER, Treasurer, 7448 Ann Street, New Orleans, La.

General Fund.—Conference collection, $29; Auxiliaries, $8; Jewels, 30 cents. Total, $37.30.

Total General Fund, ... $37.30.

Special Fund.—*Rust Hall.*—Mrs. D. M. Walker, $10; New Iberia, $10. Total, $20.

Mothers' Jewels Home.—Jeannette Band, $5. Total, $5.

Children's Paper.—$1.65. Total, $1.65.

Total Special Fund, ... $26.65.

Grand Total, ... 63.95.

Maine Conference.

MRS. I. LUCE, Treasurer, South Berwick, Me.

General Fund.—AUGUSTA DISTRICT.—Augusta, $18; East Livermore Mills, $3; Farmington, $14; Gardiner, $33.25; Circle, $3; Hallowell, $9; Kent's Hill, $17; Juvenile, $1.50; Skowhegan, $9.50; Wayne, $10.23; Wilton, $16. Total, $134.48.

LEWISTON DISTRICT.—Bath: Wesley Church, $17.50; Jewels, $2; Beacon Street, $10; Lewiston: Park Street, $8. Total, $37.50.

PORTLAND DISTRICT.—Biddeford, $10; Gorham, $8; Kennebunk, $10; Portland: Chestnut Street, $50; Congress Street, $26; Pine Street, $24; South Portland, $2.35; Saco, $36; Woodfords, $14; Westbrook, $15.60; York, $11.80; Conference Treasurer, $47. Total, $254.75.

Leaflet, 10 cents.

Mite-box, $20.27.

Life Membership, $65.

Thank-offering, $3.

Total General Fund, ... $515.10.

Emergency Fund.—Woodfords, $2; York, $1.50; Kent's Hill, $3.

Total Emergency Fund, ... $6.50.

Scholarship Fund.—*Allen Home.*—Augusta, $2.60. Total, $2.60.

Jesse Lee Home.—Gardiner, $2. Total, $2.

Lucy Webb Hayes Home.—Gardiner, $2. Total, $2.

Oriental Home.—Kent's Hill, $12; Y. P. S. C. E. Wesleyan Seminary, $10. Total, $22.

Total Scholarship Fund, ... $28.60.

Special Fund.—*Lucy Webb Hayes Home.*—Camp-meeting gatherings, $2; Woodfords, $1.50. Total, $3 50.
Rust Hall.—Portland: Chestnut Street, $5. Total, $5.
Simpson Home.—Saco, $5. Total, $5.
Thayer Home.—Skowhegan, $2; Bath: Beacon Street, $2; Wesley Church, $2; Portland: Chestnut Street, $15; Pine, $2; South Portland, $3.25; Woodfords, $5; Madison, $5; Farmington, $5; Wayne, $1. Total, $42.25.

Total Special Fund, ... $55.75.
Grand Total, ... 605.95.

Michigan Conference.

MRS. J. G. PLOWMAN, Treasurer, 605 Cass Street, Albion, Mich.

General Fund.—ALBION DISTRICT.—Albion, $74.25; Charlotte, $17.50; Concord, $4.50; Eaton Rapids, $7; Hillsdale, $28.70; Homer, $19.25; Jackson, $41.05; Pittfords, $6.25; Parma, $9.45; South Pittsford, $1.50; Quincy, $16.25. Total, $214.20.
BIG RAPIDS DISTRICT.—Big Rapids, $25; Fair Plains, $10.75; Greenville, $17.50; Shepherd, $7. Total, $60.25.
GRAND RAPIDS DISTRICT.—Ames, $9.50; Division Street, $40; Guild, $22.75; East Street, $15.23; Hastings, $27.25; Hesperia, $1; Joy Memorial, $14; Lowell, $30.75; Plainfield Avenue, 50 cents; Second Street, $49.50. Total, $210.48.
GRAND TRAVERSE DISTRICT.—Charlevoix, $9.75; Harbor Springs, $14.25; Manistee, $15; Petoskey, $36.25; Jewels, $1.60. Total, $76.85.
KALAMAZOO DISTRICT.—Allegan, $17.75; Bellevue, $21.15; Juvenile, $1.55; Ganges, $19.95; Kalamazoo: First Church, $52; Simpson, $25.50; Kalamo, $8; Milo, $9; Otsego, $15.75; Jewels, $10.04; Plainville, $20; Trowbridge, $6.50; Vicksburg, $10; West Casco, $7. Total, $204.19.
LANSING DISTRICT.—Ionia, $26; Lansing: First Church, $14; Central, $52; Mason, $21.25; Ovid, $20; Orange, $6; Portland, $18.75; Junevile, $3.55; St. John's, $25. Total, $186.55.
NILES DISTRICT.—Benton Harbor, $15.25; Coldwater, $15.50; Coulter's Chapel, $13; Niles, $10.25; Three Rivers, $5; Union City, $12.25; White Pigeon, $12.75. Total, $84.

Total General Fund, ... $1,036.52.

Of the above amount $398.03 was received by voucher.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency.*—Ames, $3; Albion, $5; Collection, $33.30; Kalamazoo: First Church (Mrs. Rose), $5; Simpson, $3; Petoskey, $24.10; A Pastor, $5; Conference Collection, $13.25; Thankoffering, $27.75. Total, $119.40.
Salary.—Mite-boxes, $31.18; Collections, $54.19: Greenville, $8; Jackson, $6.80; Petoskey, $5; Without Auxiliary credit, $110.05. Total, $215.22.

Total Special General Fund, ... $334.62.

Scholarship Fund.—*Allen Home.*—Grand Rapids: Second Street, $25. Total, $25.
E. L. Rust Home.—Ames, $3; Charlotte, $10; Hastings, $8; Ionia, $6.50; Lansing: First, $3; Central, $18; Mason, $7.50; Orange, $3; Ovid, $5; Portland, $5. Total, $69.
Emerson Home.—Greenville: Through Mrs. Wright, $10. Total, $10.
King Home.—Charlevoix, $5; Manistee, $5; Petoskey, $10. Total, $20.
Ritter Home.—Albion, $40; Grand Rapids: East Street, $6; Division Street, $7; Guild, $5; Joy Memorial, $4. Total, $62.
Smith Home.—Ganges, $5; Homer, $10; Jackson, $10; Kalamazoo, $30. Total, $55.

Stickney Home.—Allegan, $5; Kalamazoo: Simpson, $8; Otsego, $4.25; Plainville, $9; Trowbridge, $4; Vicksburg, $4; West Casco, $5. Total, $39.25.

Thayer Home.—Grand Rapids: Second Street, $25. Total, $25.

Total Scholarship Fund, ... $305.25.

Special Fund.—*Hawaii.*—Grand Rapids: East Street, $1; Jackson, $5. Total, $6.

Immigrant Home, N. Y.—Benton Harbor, $4.12; Fair Plains, $2; Greenville, $2. Total, $8.12.

Jesse Lee Hospital.—Albion Circle, $5; Benton Harbor, $15; Grand Rapids: East Street, $6; Niles, $25; Niles District, $50. Total, $101.

Mothers' Jewels Home.—Bellevue, $8; Grand Rapids, $2.36. Total, $10.36.

Rust Hall.—Albion, $6; Circle, $10; Plainfield Avenue, $2.10; Allegan, $1; Ames, $2; Benton Harbor, $2; Grand Rapids: Division Street, $30; East Street, $5; Holland, $5; Jackson, $3; Joy Memorial, $3; Kalamazoo: First Church, $10; Simpson, $1; Lansing: Central, $4; Milo, $1; Niles District, $150; Portland, $1.50; Prairieville, $2; Union City, $5; Vicksburg, $1. Total, $244.60.

*Deaconess Fund by Vouchers, ... $916.46.
Total Special Fund, ... 1,286.54.
Grand Total, ... 2,962.93.

Minnesota and Minnesota Northern Conferences.

MRS. F. F. SAFFORD, Treasurer, 137 East Fourteenth Street, Minneapolis, Minn.

General Fund.—Faribault: First Church, $7.62; German, $4. Total, $11.62.

MANKATO DISTRICT.—Blue Earth City, $5.37; Lake Crystal, $1.37; Lyle: Y. P. S. C. E., $3.90; Rochester, $9.13; Waseca, $2. Total, $21.77.

Minneapolis: Austin, $5.36; Camden Place Circle, $10.75; First Church, $9; Foss, $12.75; Forest Heights, $8.25; Franklin Avenue, $7.50; Hennepin Avenue, $28.25; Circle, $14; Lake Street, $4.12; Morris, $15.50; Park Avenue, $9.50; Rochester, $3.12; Simpson, $16.83; Jewels, $9.35; Trinity, $1.99; Circle, $1 70; Jewels, 30 cents; Wesley, $37.50; Circle, $5.28; Western Avenue, $7.23. Total, $208.33.

ST. PAUL DISTRICT.—St. Paul: Bates Avenue, $6.83; Clinton Avenue, $4.99; First Church, $20.63; Fowler Jewels, $4.22; Hamline, $8.50; Madelia, $1; Merriam Park, $2.38; Trinity, $4.50; Winnebago City, $6.03. Total, $59.08.

Duluth, $10; Collection at Annual Meeting, $28; Mite-box, $4.25; Gift, $3; Leaflet, 75 cents. Total, $46.

Total General Fund, ... $411.44.

Of the above amount $71.08 was received by Voucher.

Emergency Fund.—Collection, $54; Madelia, Rev. S. P. Drigger, $5.

Total Emergency Fund, ... $59.

Scholarship Fund.—*Dulce.*—Hennepin Avenue, $40. Total, $40.

Harwood Home.—Mite-boxes, $7.02. Total, $7.02.

Jesse Lee Home.—Minneapolis: Simpson, $50; First Church, $10; Foss, $3.75; Hennepin Avenue, $50; Circle, $2.25; Wesley, $55; Faribault: First Church, $1.08; St. Paul: First Church, $5; Merriam Park, $5.90. Total, $182.98.

King Home.—Austin, $15; Bates Avenue, $5; Duluth, $10; Minneapolis: First Church, $10; Western Avenue, $10. Total, $50.

Mothers' Jewels Home.—Faribault: First Church, $1.84; Forest Heights, $10; Simpson, $26.80; Wesley, $1.45. Total, $40.09.

Oriental.—Morris, $15; Wesley, $20. Total, $35.
Ritter Home.—Minneapolis: First Church, $10; Camden Place, $20; Wesley Circle, $43; St. Paul: First Church, $2.91; Hamline, $40; Merriam Park, $1.50. Total, $117.41.
Utah.—Duluth, $10. Total, $10.
Watts de Peyster Home.—Hennepin Avenue, $30. Total, $30.

Total Scholarship Fund, ... $512.50.

Special Fund.—*Hawaii.*—St. Paul: Wesley Church, $5.00. Total, $5.
Immigrant, Boston.—Rochester, $5. Total, $5.
Immigrant, New York.—St. Paul: First Church, $50; Hennepin Avenue, $25. Total, $75.
Jesse Lee Hospital.—Minneapolis, First Church, $5; Franklin Avenue, $21.48; Park Avenue, $17.33; St. Paul: First Church, $5; Wesley, $6.19: Circle, $5; Clinton Avenue, $5. Total, $65.
Marcy.—Minneapolis: First Church, $10. Total, $10.
Mothers' Jewels Home.—Gift of Conferences toward a tablet in memory of Mrs. J. M. Martin, $50. Total, $50.
Rest Home.—Minneapolis: Hennepin Avenue, $10; Wesley, $10. Total, $20.
Rust Hall.—Minneapolis: Hennepin Avenue, $25; Wesley, $5. Total, $30.

Total Special Fund, ... $260.00.
Grand Total, ... 1,242.94.

Missouri Conference.

MRS. C. H. BLACK, Treasurer, 716 South Eighteenth Street, St. Joseph, Mo.

General Fund.—St. Joseph: First Church, $2; Union Star, $1; Mexico: First Church, $3.30; Marceline, $1.15; Kirksville: First Church, $3.25; Chillicothe, $8.75; Stanberry, $2.75; Jewels, $1.66; Other Sources, $11.85; Total $35.71.
Leaflet, 25 cents. Total 25 cents.
Conference Collection, $7. Total $7.

Total General Fund, ... $82.41.

Scholarship Fund.—*Ritter Home.*—St. Joseph: First Church, $10. Total $10.
Mothers' Jewels Home.—New Auxiliary, $5. Total $5.

Total Scholarship Fund, ... $15.
Grand Total, ... $97.41.

Montana Conference.

MRS. N. E. CHURCH, Treasurer, Helena, Montana.

General Fund.—Conference dues, $19.25. Total $19.25.

Total General Fund, ... $19.25.
Grand Total, ... $19.25.

Nebraska Conference.

MRS. M. H. LILLIBRIDGE, Treasurer, 1507 A Street, Lincoln, Neb.

General Fund.—BEATRICE DISTRICT.—Beatrice, $20.50; Blue Springs, $2.50; Clay Center, $8; Edgar, $18.75; Fairburg, $15; Fairfield, $10.75; Fairmont, $14; Geneva, $17.20; Sutton, $1.50; Pawnee City, $7. Total $115.50.

LINCOLN DISTRICT.—Elmwood, $17.08: Lincoln: Grace Church, $14.55; St. Paul's, $35; Trinity, $26.50; Raymond, $6.25; University Place, $21; Jewels, $2.60. Total $122.98.

NEBRASKA CITY DISTRICT.—Falls City, $5; Nebraska City, $5; Palmyra, $7.50; Peru, $4; Table Rock, $11.20; Weeping Water, $2.50; Tecumseh, $18.25. Total $55.

YORK DISTRICT.—Osceola, $1.55; York, $26.45; Bellwood, $10.25; David City, $9.75 Total $48.

Leaflet, 50 cents. Total 50 cents.

Mite-box, $2.65. Total $2.65.

Total General Fund, ... $344.68.

Emergency Fund.—York, $10. Total $10.

Total Emergency Fund, ... $10.

Scholarship Fund.—*Mothers' Jewels Home.*—Lincoln: St. Paul's $58.90; Elmwood, $5; Beatrice, $2; Raymond, 45 cents; York, 67 cents. Total $67.02.

Bennett Home.—York, $10. Total $10.

E. L. Rust Home.—Lincoln: Trinity, $5; Total $5.

Total Scholarship Fund, ... $82.02.

Special Fund.—*Jesse Lee Home.*—Hastings, $4. Total $4.

Mothers' Jewels Home.—Fairmont, 50 cents; Lincoln: St. Paul's, $15; Osceola: Epworth League, $6.27; Peru, 50 cents; Raymond, $1.20; University Place, 62 cents; York, $2.97. Total $27.06.

Total Special Fund, ... $31.06.

Grand Total, ... $467.76.

Newark Conference.

MRS. C. M. BLAINE, Treasurer, 545 Orange Street, Newark, N. J.

General Fund.—ELIZABETH DISTRICT.—Cranford, $20; Elizabeth: St. James, $54.13; Park Church, $18.40; Circle, $4; Plainfield: First Church, $50; Circle, $8.87; Jewels, $2.50; Grace, $19; Circle, $3.50; Monroe Avenue, $3.53; Westfield, $35; Circle, $14.80; Jewels, 50 cents. Total, $233.23.

JERSEY CITY DISTRICT.—Bergen Point, $12.67; Centenary, $11.75; Emory, $4.75; West Side Avenue, $48.88. Total, $78.05.

NEWARK DISTRICT.—Central, $29; Band, $7; Centenary, $23; Halsey Street, $47; Jewels, $2; Eighth Avenue, $25; Roseville, $109.32; Band, $4.25; St. Luke's, $33; St. Paul's, $58; Trinity, $16.05; Orange, $49; Band, $14; Sanford Street Band, $1.60; East Orange: Calvary, $118.53; Circle, $15; Christopherus Band, $5.33; Jewels, $5.50; Bloomfield, $27.50; Madison, $22; Montclair, $65; Jewels, $3.70; Morristown, $125; Circle, $7. Total, $824.78.

PATERSON DISTRICT.—Paterson: Market Street, $53; Grace, $15; Trinity, $5.90; Wesley, $11; Dover, $18.81; Newton, $55.50; Boonton, $23 08; Washington, $26; Passaic, $16.50; Rutherford, $10; Hackettstown Collegiate Institute Band, $17.18. Total, $251.97.

Without Auxiliary Credit, $69.23. Total, $69.23.

Gifts, $17.40. Total, $17.40.

Mite-box, $172.39. Total, $172.39.

Jewels, $8.70. Total, $8.70.

Collections, $10. Total, $10.

Life Membership, $60. Total, $60.

Leaflet, $7. Total, $7.

Thank-offering, $16.75. Total, $16.75.

Deaconess Fund Collection, $25. Total, $25.

By Voucher.—Half dues, $5.12. Total, $5.12.

Total General Fund, ... $1,779.62.

Emergency Fund.—East Orange, Mrs. A. Brown, $5; Orange: Westfield Circle, $5; Jersey City, Mrs. S. T. Drake, $5; Thank-offering, $33.82; Without Auxiliary Credit, $13.38. Total, $62.20.

Total Emergency Fund, ... $62.20.

Scholarship Fund.—*Boylan Home.*—Halsey Street, $30; Orange: First Church, $20; By Voucher, $16. Total, $66.

Harwood Home.—Bloomfield, $5; Crown Point, $2; Jersey City: Centenary Band, $5; Eighth Avenue, $10; Montclair, $5; Plainfield, $10; Roseville, $31; Sanford Band, $5. Total, $73.

Jesse Lee Home.—Newark: Centenary, $50. Total, $50.

Lucy Webb Hayes Home.—Jersey City: West Side Avenue, $10. Total, $10.

Mothers' Jewels Home.—Cranford, $10; West Side Avenue, 50 cents; Montclair, $5; Paterson: Wesley, $5; Jersey City, $4. Total, $24.50.

New Jersey Home.—Morristown, $15; By Voucher, $79.55. Total, $94.55.

Navajoes.—Newark District Meeting, $4; Jersey City; West Side Avenue, $10; Elizabeth: Park Church, $5, St. James, $10, Boonton, $5: Roseville, $2. Total, $36.

Stickney Home.—Elizabeth; St. James, $15; Halsey Street, $10; Jersey City: West Side Avenue, $5; Newton, $3.75; Newark: St. Paul's, $5; Newark District Meeting, $3; Paterson: Wesley, $5; Plainfield: First Church, $5. Total, $51.75.

Watts de Peyster Home.—Hackettstown Collegiate Institute, $49.16; By Voucher, $63.02. Total, $112.18.

Haven Home.—By Voucher, $8.50. Total, $8.50.

Total Scholarship Fund, ... $568.48.

Special Fund.—*Dulce.*—Morristown, $10. Total, $10.

Deaconess Fund.—Jersey City, $1; Newark Conference, $10. Total, $11.

Immigrant, New York.—Bergen Point, $3; Boonton, $5; Eighth Avenue, $5; Jersey City: Emory, $11; Wesley, $5; West End Avenue, $10; Montclair, $10; Washington, $6. Total, $55.

Jesse Lee Hospital.—Orange, $10. Total, $10.

Marcy Home.—Calvary, $10. Total, $10.

Rust Hall.—Through Miss Van Marter, $25; Roseville, $5; Mrs. Boswell, $25; Morristown, $10. Total, $65.

Watts de Peyster Home.—Bloomfield, $5; St. Paul's, $25. Total, $30.

Rest Home.—By Voucher, $298.76. Total, $298.76.

Deaconess Home.—By Voucher, $1,410.94. Total, $1,410.94.

Immigrant, New York.—By Voucher, $30. Total, $30.

Sibley Hospital.—By Voucher, $2. Total, $2.

Total Special Fund, ... $1,932.70.

Grand Total, ... 4,343.00.

New England Conference.

MRS. E. J. WEBSTER, Treasurer, 28 Greenwich Park, Boston, Mass.

General Fund. — BOSTON DISTRICT. — EAST DIVISION. — Auburndale, $15; Baker Memorial, $21; St. John's, $46.18; Temple Street, $44; Tremont Street, $110; Circle, $5.75; Jewels, $8.60; Winthrop Street, $53; Circle, $12.75; Jewels, $12.35; Brookline, $28; Jewels, $2.50; Dorchester, $35; Jewels, $2.30; Stanton Avenue, $18; Egleston Square, $4.37; Jewels, $3.10; Jamaica Plain, $11.81; Hyde Park, $14; Jewels, $15.16; Natick, $1; Jewels, $1; Newton, $13; Newton Center, $24; Newtonville, $18; Jewels, $3.50; Lower Falls, $2; Roslindale, $20; Wollaston, $9; Bromfield Street Jewels, $3. Total, $587.37.

WESTERN DIVISION.—Worcester, $94.35; Jewels, $1; Webster, $30; Jewels, $1.28. Total, $126.63.

NORTH BOSTON DISTRICT.—Cambridge: Epworth, $12; Jewels, $4.50; Grace, $29: Harvard Street, $30; Charlestown, $16; Hudson, $12; Somerville: Broadway, $15; First Church, $59; Flint Street, $25; Park Avenue, $26; Jewels, 70 cents; Band, $3.50; Watertown, $10; Lowell, $16; Woburn, $10; Winchester, $18; Jewels, $5.53; Waltham: First Church, Jewels, $1; Immanuel, $13. Total, $301.23.

WESTERN DIVISION.—Athol, $18.15; Jewels, $1.20; Belcherton, $2.45; Clinton, $15; Fitchburg, $22; Jewels, $2.50; West Fitchburg, $15.30; Leominster, $21; Jewels, $4.83; Gardner, $9. Total, $111.43.

LYNN DISTRICT.—Asbury Grove, $6.55; East Boston, $38; Everett, $20; Gloucester, $19; Jewels, $3.10; Ipswich, $12; Lynn Common, $89; Jewels, $3; South Street, $25; St. Paul's, $14.50; Jewels, $2; Marblehead, $10; Malden Center, $100; Jewels, $6.10; Belmont, $24; Jewels, $12.76; Maplewood, $7; Melrose, $76; Jewels, $1.50; Revere, $8; Salem, $20; Jewels, $2; Winthrop, $16; Jewels, $11; Immigrant Home: Jewels, $1. Total, $527.51.

SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.—Chicopee Falls, $39; Brightwood, $12, Merrick, $2; Southbridge, $9; Springfield, $145; Jewels, $1; Westfield, $50. Total, $258.

Conference Collection, $20.15. Total, $20.15.

Leaflet, $1.75. Total, $1.75.

Total General Fund, ... $1,934.07.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency.*—Newtonville, $6; Webster, $35; Somerville: Park Avenue, $5; Westfield, $10; ———, $6.; Shelbourn Falls, $1. Total, $62.

Salary.—Miss Russell, Lynn Common, $7. Total, $7.

Total Special Emergency Fund, ... $69.00.

Scholarship Fund.—*Allen.*—Brookline, $5; East Boston, $5; Gloucester, $5; Malden Center, $7; Belmont, $1; Winthrop, $2; Springfield, $10. Total, $35.

Browning Home.—Queen Esther Circle: Winthrop, $40; Brookline, $30; Hyde Park, $26.50; Springfield, $30. Total, $126.50.

Bennett Home.—Cambridge: Grace, $3; Somerville: First Church, $2; Park Avenue, $2; Gloucester, $3. Total, $10.

Boylan Home.—Malden Center, $40; Merrick, $10. Total, $50.

Harwood Home.—Brookline, $5; Springfield, $5. Total, $10.

Haven Home.—Malden Center, $25. Total, $25.

Jesse Lee Home.—Auburndale: Temple Street, $25; Tremont Street, $45; Circle, $5; Hudson, $5; Somerville, $2; East Boston, $3; Malden: Belmont, $2; Winthrop Circle, $10; Dorchester, $3; Newtonville, $5; Cambridge: Grace, $2; Harvard Street, $6; Immigrant Home, $5. Total, $118.

Lucy Webb Hayes Home.—Tremont Street, $5; Somerville: Band, $3; By voucher, $10. Total, $18.

Ritter Home.—Tremont Street Circle, $40; Without credit, $10; By voucher, $15.65. Total, $65.65.

Oriental Work.—Brookline, $5; Malden Center, $5; Chicopee Falls, $5; Springfield, $10. Total, $25.

Simpson Home.—Tremont Street, $5; Stanton Avenue, $5; Hyde Park, $5; By Voucher, $10. Total, $25.

Stickney Home.—Tremont Street, $10; Melrose, $13.50; Chicopee Falls, $5; Springfield, $11.50. Total, $40.

King Home.—Lynn Common, St. Paul's, $20. Total, $20.

Thayer Home.—Lower Falls, $3; Fitchburg, $10; Malden Center, $60; Winthrop, $40. Total, $113.

Watts de Peyster Home.—Worcester, $5; Brookline, $5; Cambridge:

Epworth, $1; Harvard Street, $5; Somerville: Park Avenue, $2; Lynn: St. Paul's, $5.10; Malden Center, $3,60; Circle, $10; Chicopee Falls, $5; Springfield, $18.30. Total, $60.

Total Scholarship Fund, ... $741.15.

Special Fund.—*Browning Home's Plantation Work.*—Lynn Common, $5; Circle, $3; Winthrop, $5; Miss Russell's room: Hyde Park, $40; Estate of Lucy H. Gibbs, $800; By Voucher, $16.25. Total, $869.25.

Dulce.—Worcester, $10. Total, $10.

E. L. Rust Home.—Winthrop Circle, $10. Total, $10.

Hawaii.—Mrs. Joel M. Larned, $5. Total, $5.

Italian Work.—Mrs. Joel M. Larned, $1. Total, $1.

Jesse Lee Home.—Everett, $5; Melrose, $5. Total, $10.

Lucy Webb Hayes Home.—Winthrop, $10. Total, $10.

Simpson Home.—Lynn Common, $5; Circle, $5; Salem, $5. Total, $15.

Thayer Home—Malden Center: Legacy of Mrs. Geo. P. Cox, $500. Total, $500.

Watts de Peyster Home.—Westfield, $25. Total, $25.

Immigrant Home by Voucher, ... $1,249.75.
Total Special Fund, ... 2,705.00.
Grand Total, ... 5,449.22.

New England Southern Conference.

ELENOR J. COOPER, Treasurer, 3 Arch Street, New Bedford, Mass.

General Fund.—NEW BEDFORD DISTRICT.—Bryantville, $6; Cottage City, $21: Fall River Union, $30; Circle, $12; Fairhaven, $13; Middleboro, $17; New Bedford: Pleasant Street, $24; Jewels, $2.60; County Street, $34; Plymouth, $6; Taunton: Grace, $19.25; Mrs. Woodward, $1; Whitman, $15; Wellfleet, $18.65; Yarmouth, $14. Total $233.50.

NORWICH DISTRICT.—Burnside, $9; Danielson, $12; Hazardville, $19; Jewett City, $4; Manchester, $6; New London, $42; Gift, $4.70; Band, $12.50; Circle, $17.50; Jewels, $10.75; Norwich, $42; Life Members, $40; Niantic, $15; Thank-offering, $2.35; Rockville, $7; South Manchester, $25; Safford Springs, $42; Willimantic, $18; Camp-meeting, $11. Total $339.80.

PROVIDENCE DISTRICT.—Attleboro, $11.74; Bristol, $32; Brocton: Central Church, $32; South Street, $9; East Weymouth, $7; Newport: First Church, $37; Pawtucket Union, $27.25; Jewels, $3.20; Providence Union, $149; Jewels, $2.50; Stoughton, $5; Wickford, $5.22; Gift, $11.89. Total $332.80.

Leaflet Fund, $3.75. Total $3.75.

Mite-boxes, $16.25. Total $16.25.

Total General Fund, ... $926.10.

Emergency Fund.—East Weymouth, $3; Fall River: Union, $5; Hockanum, $5; New Bedford District, $10; New London, $5; Newport: First Church, $8; Norwich District, $10; Pawtucket Union, $17; Plymouth, $1; Providence District Association, $10; Providence Union, $25; Rockville, $3. Total $102.

Scholarship Fund.—*Allen Home.*—New London: Circle, $10. Total $10.

Browning Home.—South Manchester, $10. Total $10.

Emerson Home.—Attleboro, $20. Total $20.

Jesse Lee Home.—East Weymouth, $2; New London, $2; Norwich, $5; Pawtucket, $2; Providence Union, $50. Total $61.

Kent Home.—Fall River Union, Circle, $20. Total $20.

King Home.—Brockton: Central Church, $40. Total $40.

Oriental Work.—East Weymouth, $1; Fall River Union, $3; New London, $1; Pawtucket, $1; Plymouth, $1; Providence Union, $25. Total, $32.
Watts de Peyster Home.—New London: Circle, $40. Total $40.
Home not named.—East Greenwich: Ladies from the Seminary, $5.30. Total $5.30.
Total Scholarship Fund, ... $238.30.

Special Fund.—*Allen Home.*—New Bedford: Pleasant Street, $1; New London: Band, $2; Norwich, $4. Total $7.
Browning Home, Plantation Work.—East Weymouth, $1; New Bedford: Pleasant Street, $10; New London, $2; Norwich, $5; Pawtucket, $1; Providence Union, $10; Plymouth, $1. Total $30.
By Voucher, $6. Total $6.
Deaconess Fund.—Brockton, $4.33; Chatham, $9.41; East Greenwich, $4; New London, $1; New Bedford, $4.66; Middleboro, $11.94. Total $35.34.
Immigrant Home, Boston.—Conference, $5; Fall River Union, $5; New Bedford: County Street, $3; New London: Band, $3. Total $16.
King Home.—East Weymouth, $1: Fall River Union, $2; New Bedford: District Association, $5; New London, $2; Pawtucket Union, $1; Providence Union, $15. Total $26.
Jesse Lee Home.—East Weymouth, $1; Fall River Union, $10; New Bedford: Pleasant Street, $10; New London, $2; Pawtucket, $1; Providence Union, $10. Total $34.
Navajo Work.—New London, $1. Total $1.
Hawaii.—East Weymouth, $1; Fair Haven, $11; New Bedford: County Street, $4; New London, $3; Pawtucket Union, $1; Providence Union, $5; Willimantic, $2.50. Total $27.50.
Mothers' Jewels Home.—East Weymouth, $2; Fall River Union, $5; New Bedford: Pleasant Street, $10; Niantic: Circle, $9.50; Middleboro, $10; Pawtucket Union, $2; Providence Union, $10. Total $48.50.
Rust Hall.—East Weymouth, $1; Fair Haven, $6; New Bedford: County Street, $4; District Association, $6; New Easton, $2; New London, $3; Norwich, $1.50; Willimantic, $1.50. Total $25.
Watts de Peyster Home.—By Voucher, $10. Total $10.
Bancroft Rest Home.—New London, $5. Total $5.
Simpson Home.—Providence Union, $5. Total $5.
Total Special Fund, ... $260.34.
Grand Total, ... 1,526.74.
By Voucher, $16. $16

New Hampshire Conference.

MRS. J. D. FOLSOM, Treasurer, Grasmere, N. H.

General Fund.—CONCORD DISTRICT.—Bethlehem, $4; Concord: Baker Memorial, $22; First Church, $16; Lisbon, $9; Jewels, 50 cents; Suncook, $10.14; Tilton, $18.50. Total, $80.14.
DOVER DISTRICT.—Amesbury, $18.60; Thank-offering, $2.25; Jewels, 95 cents; Dover, $14; Greenland, $17.26; Jewels, $1.50; Haverhill, $1.53; Queen Esther Circle, $15.50; Jewels, $1.20; Grace, $59; First Church, $15.06; Jewels, $3.30; Hedding Camp-meeting Jewels, $10; Lawrence: First Church, $26; Garden Street, $21; St. Paul's, $12; Newfields, $6.50; Rochester, $15; Salisbury, $11; Thank-offering, $1. Total, $252.65.
MANCHESTER DISTRICT.—Antrim, $26; Claremont, $7; Union Camp-meeting, $5; Grantham, $1; Hudson, $1; Keene, $13; Jewels, 25 cents; Manchester: St. Paul's, $8; Marlboro, $8.25; Jewels, $1; Nashua, $12; Sunapee, $18.50; Jewels, 50 cents. Total, $101.60.
Leaflet, $1.50. Total, $1.50.
Twentieth-century Fund, $5. Total, $5.
Total General Fund, ... $440.89.

Emergency Fund.—Haverhill: First Church, $5. Total, $5.
By Voucher, $4.68. Total, $4.68.

Total Emergency Fund, ... $9.68.

Scholarship Fund.—*Boylan Home.*—Bethlehem, $2.40; Haverhill: Grace Church, $48; Manchester: St. Paul's, $6; Salisbury, $6; By voucher, $16. Total, $78.40.

Jesse Lee Home.—Concord: First Church, $5; Claremont, $3; Lisbon, $1; Lawrence: Garden Street, $7; Bequest of Mrs. Betsey Chase, $5; Conference collections, $27.18. Total, $48.18.

Kent Home.—Bequest of Mrs. Betsey Chase, $5; Conference collections, $5. Total, $10.

New Jersey Home.—Haverhill Queen Esther Circle, $5; Conference collections, $5.25; Bequest of Mrs. Betsey Chase, $5. Total, $15.25.

Ritter Home.—Claremont Camp-meeting, $29.40; Cash, $5; By vouchers, $26.12. Total, $60.52.

Watts de Peyster Home.—Conference collections, $2.80; Greenland, $2.20; Grantham, $3.50; Haverhill: First Church, 70 cents; Hudson, $2; Junior League, 25 cents; Bequest of Mrs. Chase, $5. Total, $14.90.

Total Scholarship Fund, ... $227.25.

Special Fund.—*Boylan Home.*—$6.55; By Voucher, $10. Total, $16 55.

Frontier.—Gift, $2; By voucher, $3. Total, $5.

Hawaii.—Concord: First Church, $8.45; Dover, $4; Newfields, $2.55; Bequest, $5. Total, $20.

Immigrant Home, Boston.—Haverhill: Queen Esther Circle, $10. Total, $10.

Yakima Indian.—Haverhill, $2. Total, $2.

Emerson Home.—By voucher, $5; Key West (by Voucher), $5. Total, $10.

Total Special Fund, ... $63.55.
Grand Total, ... 741.37.

New Jersey Conference.

MRS. S. J. TURNER, Treasurer, 410 North Fourth Street, Camden, N. J.

General Fund.—BRIDGETON DISTRICT.—Bridgeton: Central Church, $39; Commerce Street, $28.50; Trinity, $24.50; Jewels, $2.40; Clayton: Trinity, $29.50; Ocean City, $19; Salem: Broadway, $27.50; Vineland: First Church, $73; Junior, $6.60; Jewels, $5.50; Woodstown: Asbury, $28. Total, $283.50.

CAMDEN DISTRICT.—Blackwood, $22.40; Camden: Asbury, $21; Broadway, $99.25; Circle, $13.16; Juvenile, $1; Jewels, $2.50; Centenary, $67.25; Circle, $4.62; Juvenile, $3; First Church, $60.35; Circle, $10.50; Jewels, $1.60; State Street Church, $17.50; Jewels, $2.20; Tabernacle, $31.25; Circle, $3.50; Union Church, $72.25; Circle, $7.76; Collingswood, $24; Jewels, $1; Haddonfield, $30; Jewels, $2.40. Total, $498.49.

NEW BRUNSWICK DISTRICT.—Asbury Park: First Avenue, $16; Atlantic Highlands, $21; Cranbury, $14.80; Juvenile, $3; Manasquan, $15; Milltown, $7; New Brunswick: First Church, $12; New Egypt, $5; Ocean Grove: St. Paul's, $42; Red Bank: Grace Church, $13; Seabright, $62.75. Total, $211.55.

TRENTON DISTRICT.—Palmyra, $29.25; Pennington, $10; Trenton: Central Church, $26; First Church, $95; State Street, $57; St. Paul's, $23. Total, $240.25.

Thank-offering, $2. Total, $2.
Leaflet, $10. Total, $10.
Mite-box Fund, $54.99. Total, $54.99.

Total General Fund, ... $1,300.78.

Emergency Fund.—Camden: First Church, $1; Trenton: State Street Church, $8. Total, $9.

Total Emergency Fund, ... $9.

Scholarship Fund.—*Haven Home.*—Camden: Centenary Church Band, $5. Total, $5.

Jesse Lee Home.—Blackwood Circle, $5; Band, $3; Camden: Centenary, $5; Haddonfield, $1; Seabright, $1. Total, $15.

King Home.—Woodstown: Asbury, $3; Camden: Broadway, $5; Rancocas, $2. Total, $10.

Mothers' Jewels Home.—State Street Church, $2.20. Total, $2.20.

New Jersey Home.—Salem: Broadway, $5; Camden: Broadway, $10; Band, $3; Centenary, $10; Circle, $16; First Church, $5; Circle, $5; Haddonfield, $1; Seabright, $1; Bridgeton: Central, $5; Commerce Street, $3; Camden: State Street, $2.50; Tabernacle, $5; Union Church, $5. Total, $76.50.

Ritter Home.—Ocean Grove, $1. Total, $1.

Watts de Peyster Home.—Haddonfield, $1; Manasquan, $2; Trenton: State Street Church, $5; Seabright, $1. Total, $9.

Total Scholarship Fund, ... $118.70.

Special Fund.—*Immigrant Home, New York.*—Rancocas, $11. Total, $11.

Rest Home.—Camden: Asbury, $29; By Vouchers, $35. Total, $64.

Rust Hall.—Seabright, $1; Trenton: First Church, $5; State Street Church, $5; Camden: Centenary, $5; By Vouchers, $10. Total, $26.

Haven Home.—Camden Band, $5. Total, $5.

Sibley Hospital.—Haddonfield, $9.50. Total, $9.50.

Deaconess Home, Philadelphia.—By Voucher, $15. Total, $15.

Mothers' Jewels Home.—By Voucher, $5. Total, $5.

Total Special Fund, ... $135.50.

Grand Total, ... 1,563.98.

New Mexico Mission.

MRS. G. N. TARKINGTON, Treasurer, E. Las Vegas, New Mexico.

General Fund.—Las Vegas: First Church, $6.50; Dulce Mission, $3.67; Albuquerque, 25 cents. Total, $10.42.

Total General Fund, ... $10.42.

Emergency Fund.—Dulce Mission, $5; Albuquerque, $4. Total, $9.

Total Emergency Fund, ... $9.

Scholarship Fund.—*Harwood Home.*—Las Vegas, First Church, $11.45. Total, $11.45.

Total Scholarship Fund, ... $11.45.

Grand Total, ... 30.87.

New York Conference.

MRS. J. A. PUNDERFORD, Treasurer, 127 West Seventieth Street, New York.

General Fund.—KINGSTON DISTRICT.—Kingston: Trinity, $33.75; St. James, $33.50. Total, $67.25.

NEW YORK DISTRICT, N. Y.—Brewster, $17; Carmel, $10; Calvary, $38; Chatham, $25; Duane Street, $5; Eighteenth Street, $46; Fordham, $16.25; Grace, $25; Hudson, $29.75; Katonah, $26.40; Lakeville, $15; Madison Avenue, $57.30; Kensico, $2; Park Avenue, $61; Peekskill: St. Paul's, $24.60; First Church, $15; St. Andrew's, $25; St. James, $41; Washington

Heights, $18; Yonkers, $31; Sing Sing, $8; St. Luke's. $8; St. Paul's, $19; Twenty-fourth Street, $1; Washington Square, $71; Union Church, $10; Tarrytown, $35. Total, $680.30.

POUGHKEEPSIE DISTRICT.—Poughkeepsie: Washington Street, $33.40; Trinity, $28; Poughquag, $11.50; Tivoli, $29.34. Total, $102.24.

NEWBURG DISTRICT.—Liberty, $12; Newburg: Trinity, $74. Total, $86.

Conference Collections, $118.55. Total, $118.55.

Leaflet, $1.25. Total, $1.25.

Mite-box, $11.65. Total, $11.65.

Total General Fund, ... $1,067.24.

Emergency Fund.—Conference Gatherings, $30. Total, $30.

Total Emergency Fund, ... $30.

Scholarship Fund.—*Harwood Home.*—Madison Avenue, $15; Peekskill: St. Paul's, $5; Yonkers, $5; St. James, $5; St. Paul's, N. Y., $5. Total, $35.

Italian Work.—Eighteenth Street, $7. Total, $7.

Jesse Lee Home.—Madison Avenue, $15; New York Conference Society, $10; Union Church, $5. Total, $30.

Kent Home.—Sing Sing, $30; Union Church, $20. Total, $50.

New Jersey Home.—Sing Sing, $30; St. James, $5; Madison Avenue, $15. Total, $50.

Oriental Work.—Sing Sing, $20. Total, $20.

Ritter Home.—Calvary Church, $7. Total, $7.

Watts de Peyster Home.—Troy Conference collection, $12.50; Calvary, in memory of "Sister Louise," $450; Brewster, $5; Washington Square: Junior League, $13; Madison Avenue, $31.80; East 118th Street, $70; St. James, $60; St. Luke's Epworth League, $19; Kingston: Trinity, $9.23; Yonkers, $40; Sing Sing, $60. Total, $770.53.

By Voucher New Jersey Home, ... $5.00.

Total Scholarship Fund, ... 974.53.

Special Fund.—*Hawaii.*—Mrs. J. H. Richards, $10. Total, $10.

Immigrant Home, New York.—Calvary, $10; Grace Church, $40; Madison Avenue, $80; Park Avenue, $5; Salem, $10; Sing Sing, $60; St. James, $20; Washington Square: Epworth League, $60; Junior League, $10. Total, $295.

Italian Work.—Madison Avenue, $10. Total, $10.

Jesse Lee Hospital.—Madison Avenue, $3; Sing Sing, $10; St. James, $10; Yonkers, $10. Total, $33.

Kent Home.—St. James, $5; Madison Avenue, $5; Park Avenue, $5; Washington Square, $5. Total, $20.

Marcy Home.—Madison Avenue, $5; New York Conference Society, $5. Total, $10.

Rest Home.—Sing Sing, $20; Washington Square, $10. Total, $30.

Rust Hall.—Mrs. Eunice Huff, $1,000; For "Elizabeth" room, $200; "Elizabeth Wood" room, $50; "Clinton B. Fisk" memorial room, $100; Windows in same, $45; Madison Avenue, $200; Calvary, $150. Total, $1,745.

Immigrant Home, New York.—By Vouchers, $5. Total, $5.

Watts de Peyster Home.—By Vouchers, $181. Total, $181.

Rest Home.—By Vouchers, $12. Total, $12.

Sibley Hospital.—By Vouchers, $7. Total, $7.

Watts de Peyster Home.—Mrs. Fisk, $25; Eighteenth Street, $44.60; St. James, $4.75; Muser Brothers, $120; Washington Square, $20; Madison Avenue, $120.30; Park Avenue, $10; East 118th Street, $50; Morristown, N. J., $60; Troy Conference, $27.50; Mrs. Weed, $25. Total, $507.20.

Total Special Fund, ... $2,865.20.

Grand Total, ... 4,936.97.

New York East Conference.

MRS. J. A. LANTRY, Treasurer, 614 Madison Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

General Fund.—BLINN DISTRICT, SOUTH.—Grace Church, $25; Hansom Place, $46; Hempstead, $27; Jones, $104; Circle, $3; Merrick, $3; Nostrand Avenue, $25; Circle, $8; New York Avenue, $41.25; Rockville Center, $38; Sumner Avenue, $51; Simpson, $30; Sixth Avenue, $23; Summerfield, $5.40. Total, $429.65.

BLINN DISTRICT, NORTH.—Bushwick Avenue, $18.85; Circle, $7; DeKalb, $17; Circle, $7; Embury, $30; Jamaica, L. I., $39. Total, $118.85.

NEW HAVEN DISTRICT.—Bristol, Conn., $20; Middletown, Conn., $56; South Park: Hartford Circle, $17; Jewels, $3.60. Total, $96.60.

NEW YORK DISTRICT.—Bridgeport, Conn.: Washington Park, $49.50; Mt. Vernon, $62; New Rochelle, $12; Trinity, $20.39. Total, $143.89.

Mite-box, $5.28. Total, $5.28.

Total General Fund, ... $794.27.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency.*—Hampton, Conn., $1.50. Total, $1.50.

Teacher's Salary.—Middletown, $6.15; Nostrand, $60. Total, $66.15.

Total Special General Fund, ... $67.65.

Scholarship Fund.—*Haven Home.*—Middletown, $4; By Voucher, $11.50. Total, $15.50.

Oriental Work.—Conference Board, $10. Total, $10.

Simpson Home.—Hartford: South Park, $5. Total, $5.

Watts de Peyster Home.—By Voucher, $60. Total, $60.

Total Scholarship Fund, ... $90.50.

Special Fund.—*Hawaii.*—$10. Total, $10.

Immigrant Home, New York.—Sumner Avenue, $5; Hartford: South Park, $20; Hansom Place, $10. Total, $35.

Jesse Lee Hospital.—Hansom Place, $15; Conference Gatherings, $40. Total, $55.

Marcy Home.—Middletown, Conn., $5. Total, $5.

Watts de Peyster Home.—Jones, $5; Blynn: Grace Church, $5; Nostrand Avenue, $5; New York Avenue, $5; Embury, $5. Total, $25.

King Home.—Conference Gatherings, $50. Total, $50.

Rest Home.—By Voucher, $50. Total, $50.

Total Special Fund, ... $230.00.

Grand Total, ... 1,182.42.

North Indiana Conference.

MRS. J. W. VAIL, Treasurer, Decatur, Indiana.

General Fund.—FT. WAYNE DISTRICT.—Bluffton, $54.75; Circle, 16.58; Decatur, $30; Circle, $2; Ft. Wayne, $16.75; Fremont, $6.25; Garrett, $13.25; Huntington, $38.50. Total, $178.08.

GOSHEN DISTRICT.—Benton, $4.40; Elkhart, $95; Boys' Band, $1.50; Jewels, $1.70; Goshen, $34.50; Milford, $7.50; Mishawaka, $36.85; Jewels, 40 cents; New Paris, $9.75; Wolcottville, $11 50. Total, $203.10.

KOKOMO DISTRICT.—Cicero, $7.25; Converse, $7.46; Elwood, $7.75; Goldsmith, $5.55; Kokomo, $13.81; Logansport: Broadway, $26; Market Street, $23; Wheatland, $9. Total, $99.82.

MUNCIE DISTRICT.—Alexandria, $18.75; Anderson, $31.75; Hartford, $38.75; Jonesboro, $1; Jewels, $1.20; Muncie, $53.06; Red Key, $14. Total, $158.51.

RICHMOND DISTRICT.—Charlottesville, $1.75; Hagerstown, $26.25; Middletown $12.25; New Castle, $25.75; Portland, $1; Richmond: Grace, $27.25; First Church, $45.45; Winchester, $30.75. Total, $179.45.

WARSAW DISTRICT.—Marion, $36.60; Wabash, $48; Warsaw, $18; Without credit, $1.62; Mite-boxes, $41.53; Jewels, $14.44; Other sources, $8; Gift, $4.02; Leaflet, $3.10. Total, $175.31.

Total General Fund, ... $1,004.27.

Special General Fund.—*Salary.*—Alexandria, $10; Anderson, $15; Hartford, $15; Huntington, $17.52; Decatur, $15; Bluffton, $10; Elkhart, $41.84; Muncie, $26; Wabash, $25.57; Garrett, $10; Knightstown, $4; Richmond: First Church, $15; Grace, $15; Winchester, $10.73; Ft. Wayne, $17.35; Mishawaka, $22.10; Logansport: Market Street, $7.50; Broadway, $10; Wheatland, $7.50; Kokomo, $1; Peru, $15; Warsaw, $5; Milford, $4.56; New Paris, $4.10; Marion, $10; Red Key, $10; Middletown, $15; Without special credit, $20.48. Total, $375.32.

Emergency.—Bluffton, $9.78; Decatur, $2; Elkhart, $20.60; Huntington, $10.28; Walcottville, $3. Total, $45.66.

Total Special General Fund, ... $420.98.

Scholarship Fund.—*Bennett Home.*—Milford, $2.40; New Paris, $1.60; Richmond: Grace Church, Willing Workers, $10; New Paris, $2.15. Total, $16.15.

Dulce Home.—Elkhart, $16.80. Total, $16.80.

Harwood Home.—Richmond: Grace, $40. Total, $40.

Jesse Lee Home.—Alexandria, $15; Hartford, $5; Logansport: Broadway, $5; New Paris, $2.50; Richmond, $5. Total, $32.50.

Lucy Webb Hayes Home.—Muncie, $15; Richmond: First Church, $5.25. Total, $20.25.

Mothers' Jewels Home.—Warsaw, $67.18. Total, $67.18.

New Jersey Home.—Charlottesville, $7.84. Total, $7.84.

Oriental Work.—Peru, $15. Total, $15.

Ritter Home.—Huntington, $19.15. Total, $19.15.

Thayer Home.—New Castle, $10. Total, $10.

Total Scholarship Fund, ... $234.87.

Special Fund.—Childrens' paper, $2. Total, $2.

Dulce Home.—Mishawaka, $3; Elkhart, $4. Total, $7.

Jesse Lee Home.—Decatur, $1; New Paris, $5. Total, $6.

Lucy Webb Hayes Home.—Bluffton, $15.27. Total, $15.27.

Mary Haven Home.—Red Key, $3; Middletown, $3.82. Total, $6.82.

Marcy Home.—Mishawaka, $9. Total, $9.

Mothers' Jewels Home.—Bluffton: Junior League, $20. Total, $20.

Frontier Work.—Bluffton Circle, $5. Total, $5.

Rest Home.—Hartford, $5. Total, $5.

Rust Hall.—Anderson, $10; Bluffton, $10; Elkhart, $5; Huntington, $20; Logansport: Broadway, $5; Middleton, $5; Mishawaka, $20; Peru, $10; Richmond: Grace, $5; Warsaw, $4. Total, 94.

Thayer Home.—Goldsmith, $1; Decatur, $3; Mishawaka, $5; Richmond: First Church, $6; Mrs. Bunyon, $5; Hoagland, $3; Elkhart, $5; Conference Collection, $10. Total, $38.

Total Special Fund, ... $208.09.
Grand Total, ... 1,868.21.

North Nebraska Conference.

MRS. H. H. MILLARD, Treasurer, 718 North Twenty-second Street, South Omaha, Neb.

General Fund.—GRAND ISLAND DISTRICT.—Clarks, $10; Central City, $15.50; Circle, $1; Jewels, $1.10; Columbus, $2; Grand Island, $1. Total, $30.60.

NORFOLK DISTRICT.—Beemer, $7.25; Hooper, $3; Lyons, $5; Norfolk, $14.50; Jewels, $1.90; Pelger, $7.50; Wayne, $24; Jewels, $1.20. Total, $64.35.

NELIGH DISTRICT.—Neligh, $2; O'Neil, $2; Plainview, $8.50. Total, $12.50.

OMAHA DISTRICT.—Elkhorn, $1; Fremont, $34.50; Omaha: Trinity, $17.60; Hanscom Park, $44.25; Seward Street, $7.75; South Omaha, $18.25. Total, $123.35.

Conference Collections, $35.37. Total, $35.37.
Leaflet, $1.10. Total, $1.10.
Thank-offering, $15. Total, $15.
Mite-box, $2.13. Total, $2.13.

Total General Fund, ... $285.70.

Emergency Fund.—South Omaha, $14; Fremont, $10. Total, $24.

Total Emergency Fund, ... $24.00.

Scholarship Fund.—*Mothers' Jewels Home.*—Beemer, $4.09; Wayne, $8.81; Wayne, $1.25; Neligh, $14. Total, $28.15.
By Voucher, $31.88. Total, $31.88.

To Scholarship Fund, ... $60.03.

Special Fund.—*Dulce Home.*—Clarks, $1; Wayne, $2.50; Fremont, $5; Conference Pledge, $10. Total, $18.50.

Jesse Lee Hospital.—Clarks, $1; Omaha: Trinity, $2; Hanscom Park, $2; South Omaha, $5; Wayne, $2.50; Mrs. J. J. Lanktree, Hanscom Park, $10. Total, $22.50.

Mothers' Jewels Home.—Elkhorn, $1; Fremont, $15.25. Total, $16.25.
By Voucher, $20.75. Total, $20.75.

Total Special Fund, ... $78.00.
Grand Total, ... 447.73.

North Ohio Conference.

MRS. T. S. SHEPHERD, Treasurer, Wooster, Ohio.

General Fund.—CLEVELAND DISTRICT.—Berea, $29.25; Cleveland: Brooklyn Memorial, $19.25; Franklin Avenue, $27.97; Jewels, $2.20; Gordon Avenue, $8.03; Jennings, $10; Elyria, $72.40; Jewels, 50 cents; Huntington, $20; Circle, 50 cents; Lorain, $6; New London, $24.90; Oberlin Circle, $8.72; Wellington, $39; Circle, 25 cents. Total, $268.97.

MANSFIELD DISTRICT.—Ashland, $21.50; Bucyrus, $27.23; Caledonia, $5; Crestline, $25.50; Delaware: Asbury, $40; Grace, $9.75; Galion, $16.60; Hayesville, $10.72; Mansfield, $101.65; Jewels, $5.95; Plymouth, $16; Pavonia, $13.75; Shelby, $17.75; Jewels, $30. Total, $311.70.

MT. VERNON DISTRICT.—Butler, $12.50; Bloomfield, $17.50; Danville, $10.75; Gambier, $10; Homer, $1; Mt. Vernon, $32.50: Millersburg, $14; Roscoe, $15.25; Circle, $1; Union Chapel, $15.25. Total, $129.75.

SANDUSKY DISTRICT.—Bellevue, $4.50; Clyde, $2; Norwalk, $19; Port Clinton, $11.75; Sandusky, $14.50; Tiffin, $33.75. Total, $85.50.

WOOSTER DISTICT.—Albion, $6.75; Apple Creek, $8.25; Barberton, $14.35; Canaan, $7; Fredricksburg, $16.15; Londonville, $9.70; LeRoy, $14.25; Ruggles, $12.50; Band, $1.25: Smithville, $10; Scoville, $1; Wooster, $37; Henrietta Stitt's Bequest, $13; Leaflets, 90 cents. Total, $152.10.

Total General Fund, ... $948.02.
Total Voucher, ... 13.94.

Special Generald Fund.—*Emergency.*—Bellevue, $9.66; Fredricksburg, $5; Lorain, $10; Mansfield, $19.85; Norwalk, $10; Plymouth, $15; Roscoe, $10; Sandusky, $5; Tiffin, $4.27; Wellington, $5; Butler, $3.50. Total, $91.78.

Scholarship Fund.—*Haven Home.*—Delaware: Asbury, $25. Total, $25.

Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—Ashland, $5.55; Berea, $10; Delaware: Asbury, $10; Elyria, $20; Mansfield, $3; Shelby, $11.97; Wooster, $5. Total, $65.52.

Holly Springs Home.—Ashland, $6; Bellevue, $6.80; Delaware: Grace, $4.75; LeRoy, $1.97; Mansfield, $11.24. Total, $30.76.

Mothers' Jewels Home.—Bloomville Junior League, $6.60. Total, $6.60.

Oriental Work.—Barberton, $6.30; Berea, $8; Bucyrus, $3.20; Cleveland: Franklin Avenue, $13.64; Mt. Vernon, $5; Plymouth, $5; Tiffin, $5. Total, $46.14.

Ritter Home.—Delaware: Asbury, $4; Mansfield, $21.52; Tiffin, $14.56. Total, $40.08.

Total Scholarship Fund, ... $214.10.
By Voucher, ... 1.00.

Special Fund.—*Allen Home.*—Ashland, $13.31; Barberton, $10; Cleveland: Jennings Avenue, $10; Plymouth, $5; Tiffin, $15; Wellington, $19.40. Total, $73.71.

Bennett Home.—Cleveland: Franklin Avenue, $10; Delaware: Asbury, $10; Hayesville, $1.15; Pavonia, $12; Plymouth, $5; Mansfield, $56; Shelby, $6.50; Wooster, $10; Tiffin, $10. Total, $135.65.

Deaconess Fund.—Cleveland: Gordon Avenue, $1.50. Total, $1.50.

Deaconess Home.—Cleveland: Shelby, $4. Total, $4.

Holly Springs Home.—Mansfield, $12.86. Total, $12.86.

Immigrant Home, New York.—Butler, $3.50; Cleveland: Franklin Avenue, $1.36; Mt. Vernon, $10; Roscoe, $10. Total, $24.86.

Jesse Lee Home.—Ashland, $12; Hayesville, $3; Wooster, $10. Total, $25.

Mothers' Jewels Home.—Miss Elva Cook, $10; Mansfield Junior League, $10. Total, $20.

By Voucher, $10. Total, $10.

Total Special Fund, ... $311.26.
Total Vouchers, ... 24.94.
Grand Total, ... 1,565.16.

Northern New York Conference.

ROXA A. FITCH, Treasurer, Lowville, N. Y.

General Fund.—ADAMS DISTRICT.—Adams, $56.65; Belleville, $11; Copenhagen, $11.50; Chaumont, $15.75; Cape Vincent, $2.75; Jewels, $2; Dexter, $11.25; Sackett's Harbor; $2.95; Lowville, $27; Port Leyden, $2; Turin, $11; Watertown: State Street, $49; Life membership, $20. Total, $222.85.

HERKIMER DISTRICT.—Dolgeville, $8.76; Frankfort, $16.20; Herkimer, $30.55; Jewels, $2.50; Ilion, $52.65; Circle, $3; Jewels, $1.10; Mohawk Circle, $9.62. Total, $124.38.

OSWEGO DISTRICT.—Camden, $25.25; Circle, $15; Band, $7.20; Fulton: First Church, $30.25; Jewels, $4.80; State Street, $30.75; Hannibal, $7.62; Circle, $6.65; Mexico, $60.25; Circle, $7; Minetto, $20.85; Oswego: First Church, $39.70; Jewels, $7.42; Center, $12.35; Trinity, $26.50; Circle, $4.55; Pulaski, $30.35; Circle, $3; Sandy Creek, $12; Life membership, $20. Total, $371.49.

ST. LAWRENCE DISTRICT.—Chatenangay, $5.50; Dickinson Center, $6; Malone, $20; Morristown, $15.50; Ogdensburg, $38.25; Circle, $4.90; Potsdam, $25.25; St. Regis Falls, $9.10. Total, $124.50.

UTICA DISTRICT.—Clinton Circle, $10.35; Deansboro, $1.32; Forestport, $7.50; Knoxboro, $10; Circle, $3; Madison, $16.50; New Hartford, $20; New York Mills, $10; Rome, $77; Utica: First Church, $46; South Street, $30. Total, $201.67.

WATERTOWN DISTRICT.—Antwerp Circle, $4.50; Black River, $27.50; Carthage, $15; Clayton, $20.45; De Peyster, $3; Circle, $9; Depauville, $12; Evans Mills, $12; Gouveneur, $30.50; Circle, $2.25; Jewels, $1.30; Heuvelton Circle, $6.94; Harrisville, $10.75; Philadelphia, $13.75; Theresa, $11.25; Watertown: Arsenal Street, $43; Circle, $6.15; Band, $3; Jewels, $3.70; Collection, $12.10. Total, $248.14.

Without Special Credit, $54.10. Total, $54.10.

Thank-offering, $107.57. Total, $107.57.

Leaflet, $5.25. Total, $5.25.

Tea Money, $17.31. Total, $17.31.

Mite-box, $78.22. Total, $78.22.

Gift, $5. Total, $5.

Total General Fund, ... $1,560.48.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency.*—Hannibal, $1.50; Mexico, $15; Watertown: State Street, $10; Sandy Creek, $20; Lowell, $5. Total, $51.50.

Salary.—Rome, $6.25. Total, $6.25.

Total Special General Fund, ... $57.75.

Scholarship Fund.—*Bennett Home.*—Mohawk, $23; Oswego: Trinity, $12. Total, $35.

Browning Home.—Ilion, $20. Total, $20.

Boylan Home.—Watertown: Arsenal Street Band, $5. Total, $5.

King Home.—Utica, $19.51. Total, $19.51.

Lucy Webb Hayes Home.—Fulton: First Church, $5; State Street, $6; Lowville, $2. Total, $13.

Mothers' Jewels Home.—Gouveneur, $10.70; By Voucher, $5. Total, $15.70.

New Jersey Home.—Gouveneur Band, $2.78; By Voucher, $3.25. Total, $6.03.

Ritter Home.—Black River, $5; Carthage, $20; Clayton (Dillon Scholarship), $90; Heuvelton, $8; Gouveneur, $5; Ilion, $20; Mrs. Moore, $22.14; Watertown: Arsenal, $10; State Street, $40; Without special credit, $75.26; By Voucher, $22.20. Total, $317.60.

Utah.—Watertown: Arsenal Circle, $14. Total, $14.

Watts de Peyster Home.—Chatenangay, $7.75; De Peyster, $15. Total, $22.75.

Simpson Home.—By Voucher, $10. Total, $10.

Total Scholarship Fund, ... $483.59.

Special Fund.—*Dulce.*—Watertown: Arsenal Street, $5. Total, $5.

Deaconess Fund.—Fulton: State Street, $10.75. Total, $10.75.

Immigrant, New York.—Sandy Creek, $3.54; By Voucher, $5. Total, $8.54.

King Home.—Stittsville, $5. Total, $5.

Lucy Webb Hayes Home.—Watertown: Arsenal Street, $10. Total, $10.
Mothers' Jewels Home.—Fulton Street, $10. Total, $10.
Rest Home.—Mohawk, $1; Oswego: First Church, $5; Trinity, $5; Rome, $1.43; Herkimer, $25; By Voucher, $5. Total, $42.43.
Rust Hall. — Adams, $5; Watertown, $5; Williamstown, $5; By Voucher, $5. Total, $20.

Total Special Fund, ... $111.72.
Grand Total, ... 2,213.54.

Northwest Indiana Conference.

MRS. MYRON CAMPBELL, Treasurer, South Bend, Ind.

General Fund.—CRAWFORDSVILLE DISTRICT.—Lebanon, $18.25; Circle, $17.85; North Indianapolis: St. Paul, $20.75. Total, $56.85.
GREENCASTLE DISTRICT.—Greencastle, $11; Circle, $4; Terre Haute: Trinity, $21.25; Centenary, $100; Jewels, $2.80. Total, $139.05.
LAFAYETTE DISTRICT.—Attica, $12.25; Circle, 50 cents; Frankfort, $33.50; Lafayette: Trinity, $38.75; Circle, $35. Total, $120.
SOUTH BEND DISTRICT.—LaPorte, $9.50; Leiters, $3.50; Monticello, $16.15; South Bend: First Church, $73; Circle, $12.50; Jewels, $1.50; Grace, $14.75. Total, $130.90.
VALPARAISO DISTRICT.—Crown Point, $5.74; Hammond, $12; Jewels, 60 cents; Valparaiso, $23; Wheeler, $2; Circle, 40 cents. Total $46.20.
Without Auxiliary Credit, $7. Total, $7.
Mite-box, $31.69. Total, $31.69.
Life Membership, $10.50. Total, $10.50.
Other Sources, $19. Total, $19.
Baking Powder, $6. Total $6.
Leaflet, 25 cents. Total, 25 cents.

Total General Fund, ... $571.44.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency.*—Monticello, $8.50; South Bend: First Church, $18.79. Total, $27.29.

Total Special General Fund, ... $27.29.

Scholarship Fund.—*Italian.*—Crown Point, $1.60; Lebanon, $2.45; Circle, $3; South Bend Circle, $6. Total, 13.05.
Jesse Lee Home.—Frankfort, $37.50. Total, $37.50.
Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—South Bend: First Church, $10. Total, $10.

Total Scholarship Fund, ... $60.55.

Special Fund.—*Immigrant, N. Y.*—South Bend: Grace, $10. Total, $10.
Jesse Lee Home.—Frankfort, $4; Greencastle, $1.50; Circle, $1.50; Lafayette: Trinity, $4; LaPorte, $2; Monticello, $2; South Bend: First Church, $4; Terre Haute: Centenary, $2.50. Total, $29.50.
Rust Hall.—Attica, $10; Valparaiso, $10. Total, $20.

Total Special Fund, ... $59.50.
Grand Total, ... 718.78.

Northwest Iowa Conference.

General Fund.—ALGONA DISTRICT.—Algona, $18; Alexander, $7.25; Bancroft, $5; Britt, $13.50; Burt, $10; Clear Lake, $20; Cornith, $14.75; Band, $2.52; Clarion, $4.50; Garner, $6.50; Goldfield, $7.75. Total, $109.77.
FORT DODGE DISTRICT.—Fort Dodge, $24.25; Fort Dodge, West, $6; Hubbard, $7.75; Band, $1.69; Manson, $10.25; Newell, $7.75; Pomeroy, $4.06; Radcliffe, $3.25; Rockwell City, $10.65; Storm Lake, $17; Circle, $4.75; Twin Lakes, $3; Webster City, $8. Total, $108.40.

IDA GROVE DISTRICT.—Arthur, $11.50; Charter Oak Circle, $5.25; Galva, $8.75; Grant City, $9; Ida Grove, $18.75; Kingley, $6.75; Jewels, 50 cents; Lake City, $9.75; Lake View, $7.25; Lohrville, $8.75; Silver, $6; Vail, $8.25; Jewels, 40 cents; Wall Lake, $6.75. Total, $107.65.

SHELDON DISTRICT.—Dickens, $12.50; Everly, $2.50; Esterville, $8; Hartley, $7.25; Havelock, $5.25; Inwood, $13; Jewels, $1.20; Lake Park, $2; Jewels, 20 cents; Lamens, $7.50; Marathon, $13.50; Milford, $4; Plover, $9.50; Rock Rapids, $16.45; Rolfe, $16.20; Sheldon, $20.68; Sioux Rapids, $7.25; Spencer, $24.25. Total $171.73;

SIOUX CITY DISTRICT.—Calumet, $9; Epworth, $11; LeMars, $12; Peiro, $12.75; Salix, $6.50; Sioux City: First Church, $10.50; Grace, $23.50; Circle, $3.50; Haddock Memorial, $5. Total, $93.75.

From Mrs. Noah Williams, $500. Total, $500.

Without Auxiliary Credit, $144.67. Total, $144.67.

Leaflet, $4.25. Total, $4.25.

Total General Fund, ... $1,225.97.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency.*—Rolfe, $5; Corinth, $5.72. Total, $10.72.

Salary.—Britt, $1; Inwood, $1.25; Marathou, $6,27; Cornith, $4; Goldfield, $3; Webster City, $1.25; Kingsley, $3; Fort Dodge, $2.90; Hubbard, $3; Silver, $3; Dickens, $3; Havelock, $3.49; Rock Rapids, $5; Sheldon, $4; Spencer, $1.39; Cornith, $4; Epworth, $3; Salix, $4; Mite-boxes, $1.76. Total, $58.31.

Total Special General Fund, ... $69.03.

Scholarship Fund.—*Allen Home.*—Goldfield, $6.40; Salix, $8.25; Mite-box, 34 cents. Total, $14.99.

Jesse Lee Home.—Fort Dodge, $10. Total, $10.

Lucy Webb Hayes Home.—Mrs. Lura Wills, $200. Total, $200.

Mothers' Jewels Home.—Fort Dodge, West, 81 cents; Dickens, $2.60; Goldfield, 25 cents; Sioux City: Grace, 10 cents. Total, $3.76.

New Jersey Home.—Wall Lake Junior Band, $5. Total, $5.

Stickney Home.—Spencer, $3.86. Total, $3.86.

Total Scholarship Fund, ... $237.61.

Special Fund.—*Deaconess Fund.*—Sheldon District, $7.15; Des Moines, $5; Deaconess Board, $5; A Friend, $2.25; Sioux City: Grace, $3; Haddock Memorial Circle, $1.90; First Church, $14.18; Whitfield, $7.88; Luds, $3.10; Aurelia, $4; Fort Dodge, $10. Total, $63.46.

Mothers' Jewels Home.—Cornith Band, $10; Storm Lake Epworth League, $5; Inwood, $1. Total, $16.

Rust Hall.—Fort Dodge: First Church, $10; Mrs. Shersler, $10; Mrs. Negus, $100. Total, $120.

Total Special Fund, ... $199.46.

Grand total, ... 1,732.07

Northwest Kansas Conference.

MRS. P. J. SMITH, Treasurer, Colby, Kansas.

General Fund.—Belleville: First Church, $3; Lincoln, $4.25; Mankato, $9; Salina: First Church, $15; Wilson, $1.50; Without Auxiliary Credit, $11. Total, $43.75.

Total General Fund, ... $43.75.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency.*—Lincoln, $1.70; Thank-offering, $8. Total, $9.70.

Total Special General Fund, ... $9.70.

Grand Total, ... 53.45.

Northwest Nebraska Conference.

MRS. D. J. CLARK, Treasurer, Hay Springs, Nebraska.

General Fund.—Dues, $5. Total, $5.

Total General Fund, ... $5.
Grand Total, ... 5.

Ohio Conference.

MRS. F. A. SELLS, 545 East Town Street, Columbus, O., Treasurer.

General Fund.—CHILICOTHE DISTRICT.—Adelphi, $9.25; Chillicothe: Walnut Street, $31; Frankfort, $14.90; New Holland, $15.50; Mt. Carmel, Seldon P. O., $14.25; Morris Chapel, $7.60; Washington C. H., $20. Total, $132.50

COLUMBUS DISTRICT.—Columbus: Broad Street, $106.50; Neil Avenue, $20.50; Third Avenue, $50; Circle, $27.25; Band, $11; Jewels, $1.30; Town Street, $43.50; Jewels, $6.05; Wesley Chapel, $25; Jewels, $1.80; King Avenue, $49.04. Total, $341.94.

GALLIPOLIS DISTRICT.—Gallipolis, $53.70; Jackson, $30; Racine, $6.50. Total, $90.25.

LANCASTER DISTRICT.—Circleville, $32; Lancaster, $18; Jewels, 45 cents; Logan, $28. Total, $78.45.

LONDON DISTRICT.—Delaware: St. Paul's, $37.05; Jewels, $3.60; Stratford, $9.75; Worthington, $17; Harrisburg, $5.50. Total, $75.90.

MARIETTA DISTRICT.—Athens, $17; Marietta, $39.75; Nelsonville, $12.95. Total, 69.70.

PORTSMOUTH DISTRICT.—Ironton, $29.50; Circle, $5.10; Jewels, $19.99; Portsmouth: Bigelow, $53.75; Circle, $4.30; Jewels, $2.50. Total, $115.14.

ZANESVILLE DISTRICT.—Malta, $13.25; Newark: First Church, $43.15; Zanesville: Second Street, $60.50; Jewels, $10; Without Special Credit, $6.50. Total, $116.90.

Thank-offering, $90.56. Total, $9.56.
Mite-box, $58.87. Total, $58.87.
Leaflet, $1.75. Total, $1.75.
Twentieth-century Fund, $18.50. Total, $18.50.
Life Membership, $6.90. Total, $6.90.
Conference Collection, $4.75. Total, $4.75.

Total General Fund, ... $1,211.61.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency.*—Newark, $15; King Avenue, $21.20; Neil Avenue, $2.05; St. Paul's, Delaware, $25.45. Total, $63.70.

Teacher's Salary.—Chillicothe, $10; Frankfort, $5.65; New Holland, $5; Broad Street, $55; Neil Avenue, $5; Third Avenue, $38.72; King Avenue, $50; Delaware: St. Paul's, $14.97; Ironton, $10; Newark, $15; Zanesville, $16.50; Seldon, $1; Slate Mills, $3.09. Total, $229.93.

Total Special General Fund, ... $293.63.

Scholarship Fund.—*Ritter Home.*—Third Avenue Circle, $40; Stratford, $20; Portsmouth: Bigelow, $20; Circle, $20; Worthington, $15. Total, $115.

Bennett Home.—Portsmouth: Bigelow, $80. Total, $80.

Harwood Home.—Chillicothe, $18.50; Wesley Chapel, $8.34; Town Street, $40; Logan, $5. Total, $71.84.

Jesse Lee Home.—King Avenue, $25. Total, $25.

Mothers' Jewels Home.—St. Paul's, Delaware, $11.28; Ironton, $11.15; Portsmouth: Bigelow, $6; King Avenue, $50; by voncher, $5. Total, $83.43.

Utah Home.—Neil Avenue, for Elsinore, $5; Delaware: St. Paul's, $5; Newark, $10; Broad Street, $10; Third Avenue, $5; Circle, $3; King Avenue, $5. Total, $43.

Total Scholarship Fund, ... $418.27.

Special Fund.—*Bennett Home.*—Broad Street, $35. Total, $35.
Immigrant Home, New York.—Chillicothe, $19.25; Broad Street, $40; Circleville, $40; Town Street, $12.37; Zanesville, $20; Newark, $10; Harrisburg, $3.28; by voucher, 10. Total, $154.90.
Jesse Lee Home.—Broad Street, $5. Total, $5.
Lucy Webb Hayes Home.—Delaware: St. Paul's, $10. Total, $10.
Rust Hall.—Lancaster, $44.55; Ironton, $7.50; Newark, $10. Total, $62.05.

Total Special Fund, ... $266.95.
Grand Total, ... 2,190.46.

Oklahoma Conference.

Through A. G. MURRAY, Missionary.

General Fund.—Collections, $65; Dues, $28.80; Rent, $10. Total, $103.80.
Vouchers: Current expenses to work, $171.50. Total, $171.50.

Special Fund.—Frontier Work, voucher, $15. Total, $15.

Total Cash, ... $103.80.
Total Voucher, ... 186.50.
Grand Total, ... 290.30.

Oregon Conference.

MRS. J. E. BENNETT, Treasurer, 475 Tenth Street, Portland, Oregon.

General Fund.—EUGENE DISTRICT.—Ashland, $15.55. Total, $15.55.
GRANT'S PASS DISTRICT.—Grant's Pass, $4; Mothers' Jewels, $1; Roseburg, $3.75. Total, $8.75.
PORTLAND DISTRICT.—Mt. Tabor, $7.52; Portland: Centenary, $8.53; Central, $6.25; First Church, $19.77; Grace, $13.68; Trinity, $5.25. Total, $61.
SALEM DISTRICT.—Albany, $6.25; Dayton, $6.75; Hubbard, $1; Salem: First Church, $6.40; Forest Grove, $1.25; Woodburn, $8.33. Total, $29.98.
Leaflet, 25 cents. Total, 25 cents.

Total General Fund, ... $115.53.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.*—Salem, $15.

Total Special General Fund, ... $15.

Scholarship Fund.—*Stickney Home.*—Mt. Tabor, $5; Portland: Centenary, $5; First Church, $50; Trinity, $9.65; Salem: First Church, $5; Conference, 65 cents; Conference Gleanings, $15. Total, $90.30.
Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—Salem: First Church, $10; Portland, $5.10. Total, $15.10.

Total Scholarship Fund, ... $105.40.

Special Fund.—*Rust Hall.*—Portland: Centenary, $10. Total, $10.
Deaconess Fund.—Portland: First Church, $8.65; Grace, $3.45. Total, $12.10.

Total Special Fund, ... $22.10.
Grand Total, ... 258.03.

Frontier Work.—By Voucher, $50. Total, $50.
Half Dues.—By Voucher, $106.18. Total, $106.18.

Philadelphia Conference.

MRS. EMMA DAILEY, Treasurer, 2120 North Twelfth Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

General Fund.—NORTH PHILADELPHIA DISTRICT.—East Allegheny Avenue, $16.55; Circle, $6.85; East Montgomery, $5; Fifth Street, $9; Frankford Avenue, $117; Siloam, $21; Summerfield Avenue, $33; Seventh Street, $12; Kensington, $33.70. Total, $254.10.

NORTHWEST PHILADELPHIA DISTRICT.—Germantown: First Church, $68; Circle, $20.35; Grace, $72; Band, $15; Park Avenue, $61; St. Stephen's, $28; Tabernacle, $44.30; Tioga, $30. Total, $338.65.

SOUTH PHILADELPHIA DISTRICT.—Arch Street, $53; Calvary, $19.90; Chester Heights Circle, $17; Landsdowne Circle, $30; Landisville Circle, $2; Prospect Park Circle, $10.70; Wharton Street, $36.55; Radnor Circle, $19. Total, $188.15.

WEST PHILADELPHIA DISTRICT.—Christ Church, $62; Circle, $7; Chester, $35; Centenary, $38; Ebenezer, $9; Fortieth Street, $14; Green Street, $24; Pottstown, $1; Spring Garden, $62; Circle, $7.08; Sharon Hill, $4.50; Thirteenth Street, $26; Trinity, $27; Without special credit, $7.57. Total, $324.15.

Jewels, $9. Total, $9.

Gift, $10. Total, $10.

Leaflet, $75 cents. 75 cents.

Total General Fund, ... $970.70.

Of the above amount $312.35 was received by Voucher.

Emergency Fund.—Germantown: First Church, $2.30; Christ Church, $3.30; Philadelphia: Arch Street, $15; Park Avenue, $25. Total, $45.60.

Salary.—Haven Home.—Germantown: First Church, $200. Total, $200.

Total Emergency Fund, ... $245.60.

Scholarship Fund.—*Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.*—Germantown: Park Avenue, $5. Total, $5.

Ritter Home.—Germantown: Grace Church, $40. Total, $40.

Simpson Home.—Germantown: Grace Church, Simpson Band, $20; Voucher, $20. Total, $40.

Thayer Home.—Germantown: First Church, $47. Total, $47.

Utah.—Germantown: First Church, $5; Tabernacle, $5; Siloam, $1; Grace Church, Twentieth-century, $5; Park Avenue, Twentieth-century, $5. Total, $21.

Watts de Peyster Home.—Philadelphia: Wharton Street, $1; Spring Garden, $1. Total, $2.

Total Scholarship Fund, ... $155.

Special Fund.—*Bancroft Rest Home.*—East Allegheny, $12.50; Landsdowne, $5.50; Philadelphia: Centenary, $10; Tioga, $10; Spring Garden, $21; By Voucher, $26. Total, 84.50.

Deaconess Fund.—Germantown, $2; St. Stephen's, $2; Tioga, $5; Trinity, $5; Thirteenth Street, $2; Philadelphia: Wharton Street, $2; Frankford, $5; Seventh Street, $2. Total, $25.

Jesse Lee Home.—Germantown: First Church, $10.54. Total, $10.54.

Lucy Webb Hayes Home.—Chester: Madison Street, $2; Frankford, $10; Germantown: Grace Church, $10. Total, $22.

Rust Hall.—East Allegheny, $10; Christ Church, $15; Fortieth Street, $10; Philadelphia: Arch Street, $20; Mrs. Bickley, $6; Germantown:

Grace Church, $10; Green Street, $10; Covenant Church, $10; Spring Garden, $10; Trinity, $10. Total, $111.
Simpson Home.—By Voucher, $5. Total, $5.
Thayer Home.—Germantown: First Church, $50. Total, $50.

Deaconess Home Vouchers, ... $7,998.72.
Total Special Fund, ... 308.04.
Grand Total, ... 9,678.06.

Pittsburg Conference.

MRS. A. R. INGRAM, Treasurer, 12 Sampson Street, Allegheny, Pa.

General Fund.—ALLEGHENY DISTRICT.—Allegheny: Beaver, $52.30; Bellevue, $20; Butler, $51; Buena Vista Street, $11; Calvary, $36; Circle, $5; Linden Avenue, $12.80; North Avenue, $48, Circle, $35; Sewickley, $23.05; Jewels, $2.80; Tarentum, $13.25; Union, $25.60; Valencia Circle, $5. Total, $340.80.

BLAIRSVILLE DISTRICT.—Apollo, $23; Blairsville, $31; Indiana, $26; Kittanning, $19; Latrobe, $30; Marion Center, $14. Total, $143.50.

MCKEESPORT DISTRICT.—McKeesport: Coursin Street, $1.50; First Church, $38.75; Scottdale, $48.72; Wakefield, $12.50; West Newton, $18.20. Total, $119.67.

PITTSBURG DISTRICT.—Pittsburg: Butler Street, $48.70; Circle, $10.50; Centenary, $8.35; Christ Church, $47; Crafton, $27.35; Emory, $35; Circle, $15.50; Juvenile, $1.60; Lincoln Avenue, $21; Mifflin Avenue, $14.54; Oakland, $50.04; Smithfield Street, $46; Juvenile, $7; Verona, $19.50; Wilkinsburg, $54.50; Jewels, $10.76; Boys' Band, $3.91; Washington Avenue, $40; West End, $10.05. Total, $471.28.

WASHINGTON DISTRICT.—Washington: Franklin Juvenile, $5.15; Jefferson Avenue, $71.50; Jewels, $1; West Washington, $10. Total, $87.65.
Leaflet, 80 cents. Total, 80 cents.
Vouchers, $18.20. Total, $18.20.

Total General Fund, ... $1,181.90.

Emergency Fund.—Beaver, $2.25; Bellevue, $20; Butler, $48; Union, $20; Verona, $7; West Newton, $13. Total, $110.25.

Total Emergency Fund, ... $110.25.

Scholarship Fund.—*Allen Home.*—Allegheny: North Avenue, $5. Total, $5.
Jesse Lee Home.—Allegheny: Calvary Church, $15.40. Total, $15.40.
Kent Home.—Allegheny: Calvary Circle, $25; North Avenue Circle, $25. Total, $50.
King Home.—Smithfield Street Circle, $15; Murrysville, $2.50. Total, $17.50.
New Jersey Home.—Franklin, $4. Total, $4.
Oriental Work.—Allegheny: North Avenue, $5. Total, $5.
Ritter Home.—Jefferson, $40. Total, $40.
Watts de Peyster Home.—Pittsburg, $2.25. Total, $2.25.

Total Scholarship Fund, ... $139.15.

Special Fund.—*Dulce Home.*—Mrs. Schoyer, $2; Allegheny: North Avenue, $5. Total, $7.
Jesse Lee Home.—Sewickley, $5; North Avenue, $8.62; Scottdale, $10; Emory, 25 cents. Total, $23.87.
Hawaii.—Allegheny: Jefferson Avenue, $5; North Avenue Circle, $5; Wilkinsburg: Boys' Band, $20. Total, $30.

Immigrant Home, New York.—Pittsburg: Christ Church, $10: Emory, $25; Allegheny: Butler, $5; North Avenue Circle, $5; New Florence, $5. Total, $50.

Rust Hall.—Emory, $100; Washington, $25; Pittsburg: Butler Circle, $10. Total, $135.

Vouchers for Coke Region, ... $343.37.
Total Special Fund, ... 589.24.
Grand Total, ... 2,020.54.

Puget Sound Conference.

MRS. W. S. HARRINGTON, Treasurer, Seattle, Washington.

General Fund.—OLYMPIA DISTRICT.—Aberdeen, $5.75; Bay Center, $4.15; Bucoda, $6.75; Centralia, $4.48; Chehalis, $6.38; Columbia, $2.50; Fisher, $4; Fourth Plain, $2.37; Gray's River, $7.50; Jewels, $1.30; Oakville, $2.88; Olympia, $4.88; Orchard, $1.25; Ranier, $2; Salmon Creek, $3.75; Skamokara, $5.13; Vancouver, $11. Total, $76.07.

SEATTLE DISTRICT.—Blaine, $3.05; Everett, $8.50; Seattle: Battery Street, $4; First Church, $13.25; Trinity, $3.50; Whatcom: First Church, $1.40. Total, $33.70.

TACOMA DISTRICT.—Tacoma: Fowler Church, $3; First Church, $8.25. Total, $11.25.

Not distributed to Auxiliaries.—$41.19. Total, $41.19.

Total General Fund, ... $162.21.
Vouchers.—$44.75. Total, $44.75.

Scholarship Fund.—*Jesse Lee Home.*—Chehalis, $3; Gray's River, $1.28; Tacoma; First Church, $1.60; Vancouver, $3.50; Auxiliary not named, $2.21. Total, $11.59.

Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—Chehalis, $3; Auxiliary not named, $1.80. Total, $4.80.

Stickney Home.—Bay Center, $7.50; Centralia, $5; Chehalis, $8.50; Everett, $7; Fisher, $5; Gray's River, $3.59; Montesano, $7.93; Oakville, $2.28; Olympia, $2.75; Seattle: First Church, $16.20; Grace Church, $5; Skamokara, $1.89; Tacoma: First Church, $3.26; Fowler Church, $2; Vancouver, $5.50; Auxiliaries not named, $10.18. Total, $93.58.

Total Scholarship Fund, ... $109.97.

Special Fund.—*Rust Hall.*—Mrs. Hannah Rich, Tacoma, $10; Centralia, $2.50. Total, $12.50.

Total Special Fund, ... $12.50.
Voucher.—$144.83. Total, $144.83.

Grand Total, ... $284.78.
Total Vouchers, ... 189.58.

Rock River Conference.

MRS. MARY S. DYCHE, Treasurer, Evanston, Ill.

General Fund.—Wm. Goldthorn, $100; North Prairie, $1; Ravenswood, $26.40; Rockford, $2; Conference Collections, $8. Total, $137.40.

Total General Fund, ... $137.40.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency.*—Dixon District, $40. Total, $40.

Total Special General Fund, ... $40.

Scholarship Fund.—*Dulce Home.*—Heminway Junior League, $5. Total, $5.
Lucy Webb Hayes Training School.—Light Home, $1. Total, $1.
Mothers' Jewels Home.—Cash, $9.85. Total, $9.85.
Total Scholarship Fund, ... $15.85.

Special Fund.—*Rust Hall.*—Evanston: First Church, $10. Total, $10.
Immigrant Home, New York.—Chicago: Western Avenue, $5. Total, $5.
Jesse Lee Home.—Chicago: Western Avenue, $5. Total, $5.
Total Special Fund, ... $20.

General Fund.—Marcy Home.—By Voucher, $1,016.48. Total, $1,016.48.
Scholarship Fund.—Thayer Home.—By Voucher, $40. Total, $40.
Special Fund.—Thayer Home.—By Voucher, $10. Total, $10.
Marcy Home Debt.—By Voucher, $3,505.69. Total, $3,505.69.
Total Cash, ... $213.25.
Total Vouchers, ... 4,572.17.

St. Louis Conference.

MRS. E. M. WESTON, Treasurer, 2630 East Sixth Street, Kansas City, Mo.

General Fund.—KANSAS CITY DISTRICT.—Kansas City: Grand Avenue, $70; Independence Avenue, $12. Total, $82.
ST. LOUIS DISTRICT.—St. Louis: Lindell Avenue, $7. Total, $7.
SPRINGFIELD DISTRICT.—Springfield: Benton Avenue, $8.50; Jewels, $1. Total, $9.50.
CARTHAGE DISTRICT.—Carthage, $11.75. Total, $11.75.
WEST PLAINS DISTRICT.—West Plains, $5. Total, $5.
Without Special Credit, $2. Total, $2.
Total General Fund, ... $117.25.

Scholarship Fund.—*Bennett Home.*—Without Special Credit, $5. Total, $5.
Jesse Lee Home.—Without Special Credit, $5. Total $5.
Total Scholarship Fund, ... $10.

Special Fund.—*Bancroft Rest Home.*—Without Special Credit, $10. Total, $10.
Frontier Work.—St. Louis District: Lindell Avenue, $40. Total, $40.
Total Special Fund, ... $50.
Grand Total, ... 177.25.

South Carolina Conference.

MRS. F. M. PRIESTLY, Treasurer, Greenville, S. C.

General Fund.—Conference Collection, $24. Total, $24.
Total General Fund, ... $24.
Grand Total, ... 24.

South Kansas Conference.

MRS. A. H. HOLLINGSHEAD, Treasurer, Garnett, Kan.

General Fund.—EMPORIA DISTRICT.—Emporia: First Church, $14.25; Mite-boxes, $1.45; Collections, $7.82. Total, 23.52.
INDEPENDENCE DISTRICT.—Chetopa, $8.50; District, $3.25. Total, $11.75.

OTTAWA DISTRICT.—Baldwin, $6; Garnett, $5.50; Donation, $4. Total, 15.50.
Dues, $21.40; Conference Collection, $10. Total, $31.40.
Total General Fund, ... $82.17.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency.*—Emporia, $5.45. Total, $5.45.
Total Special General Fund, ... $5.45.
Grand Total, ... 87.62.

Southern California.

MRS. C. A. SMITH, Treasurer, 264 Concord Street, Pasadena, Cal.

General Fund.—FRESNO DISTRICT.—Bakersfield, $5; Fresno, $1.50; Circle, $11.40; Grangeville, Circle, $14.30; Hueneme, $9.50; Montalvo and Saticoy, $8.75; Piru City, $12.75; Jewels, 10 cents; Reedley, $2.50; Jewels, $1.33; Sanger, $8.50; Jewels, $2.55; Santa Barbara, $37.60; Jewels, $1.50; Selma, $7.25; Somis Circuit, $1; Tulare, $2.50; Waukena, $8. Total, $136.03.

LOS ANGELES DISTRICT.—Alhambra, $13; Jewels, $2; Compton, $23.25; Florence, $4.45; Garvanza, $9.55; Long Beach, $22; Pomona, $53; Circle, $3.50; San Pedro, $3; Pasadena: First Church, $82.50; Circle, $19.25; Jewels, $4.03; Lincoln Avenue, $16.50; Los Angeles: Asbury, $16.25; Jewels, 70 cents; Boyle Heights, $18.20; Circle, $20; Jewels, $2.40; Central, $20.65; Circle, $3.30; Jewels, $1.50; Haven, $13; Newman, $11; Jewels, 30 cents; University, $37.50; Circle, $12.30; Jewels, $3.50; Simpson, $15.25; Vincent, $50; Circle, $5; Jewels, 60 cents; Union Avenue, $3; First Church, $95; Circle, $12.90; Jewels, $12. Total, $610.38.

SAN DIEGO DISTRICT.—Arlington Place, $16; Artesia, $10.25; Azusa, $10.50; Jewels, 70 cents; Anaheim, $5.50; Buena Park, $5; Covina, $11; Corona, $5.25; Escondido, $7.60; Fall Brook, $4; Jewels, 75 cents; Fullerton, $10.05; Garden Grove, $12; Glendora, $20.50; Lordsburg, $14; Circle, $5; Orange, $9.80; Ontario, $24; Persia, $9.50; Circle, $2.60; Otay, $2.75; Redlands, $22.75; Riverside, $24.50; Circle, $6.50; Rialto, $10.25; Santa Ana, $24.50; Circle, $9; Jewels, $1.50; San Diego: First Church, $38.70; Highlands, $7; West Highlands, $13.80; Westminster, $8; High Grove, $3.75; Without Auxiliary credit, $69.48. Total, $357.
Leaflet, 25 cents. Total, 25 cents.
Thank-offering, $15.85. Total, $15.85.
Total General Fund, ... $1,188.99.

Of this amount $294.12 were received by Voucher.

Scholarship Fund.—*Jesse Lee Home.*—Cucamonga, $1; University (Mrs. D. M. Welch), $50. Total, $51.
Jewett Home, New Mexico.—Vincent, $5. Total, $5.
Oriental Work.—By Voucher, $213.10. Total, $213.10.
Total Scholarship Fund, ... $269.10.

Special Fund.—*Jesse Lee Home.*—Pasadena: First Church (Mrs. J. M. Huston), $50. Total, $50.
Marcy Home.—Pasadena: First Church, $2. Total, $2.
Rust Hall.—Los Angeles: First Church, $10. Total, $10.
By Voucher.—Spanish, $166; Frontier, $1,420.32; Deaconess Homes, $576.63. Total, $2,162.95.
Total Special Fund, ... $1,648.32.
Grand Total, ... 3,683.04.

Southern Illinois Conference.

General Fund.—Through J. G. Tucker, $8. Total, $8.
Total General Fund, ... $8.
Grand Total, ... 8.

Southwest Kansas Conference.

MRS. J. W. KIRKWOOD, Treasurer, 325 North Lawrence Avenue, Wichita, Kansas.

General Fund.—DODGE CITY DISTRICT.—Dodge City, $8; Garden City, $15.25; Spearsville, $6.50. Total, $29.75.
McPHERSON DISTRICT.—Hillsboro, $2; Circle, 75 cents; Larned, $6.50; Marion, $10; Pleasant View, $12. Total, $31.25.
NEWTON DISTRICT.—Hutchinson, $28; Mitchell, $15.50; Newton: First Church, $52; Sedgwick, $6.50. Total, $102.
WICHITA DISTRICT.—Coats, $27; Jamesburg, $14.98; Seltzer, $11; Spearsville, $1.63; St. Paul: Circle, $4.15; Honorary Members, $4.50; Wichita: First Church, $62.75; Dodge Avenue, $11. Total, $141.01.
WINFIELD DISTRICT.—Arkansas City, $22.25; Brownlow, $8.50; Burden, $9.75; Wellington, $40; Winfield: First Church, $8.50; Grace Church, $4.25. Total, $93.25.
Mite-box Fund, 66 cents. Total, 66 cents.
Mothers' Jewels Home, 50 cents. Total, 50 cents.

Total General Fund, ... $398.42.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency.*—$5. Total, $5.
Salary.—$9.60. Total, $9.60.
Total Special General Fund, ... $14.60.

Special Fund.—*Frontier Work.*—By Voucher, $39. Total, $39.

Total Special Fund, ... $39.00.
Grand Total, ... 452.02.

Troy Conference.

MISS HELENA IDE, Treasurer, 586 Fourth Avenue, Lansingburg, N. Y.

General Fund.—ALBANY DISTRICT.—Albany: First Church, $28; St. Luke's, $12; Trinity, $50; Grace, $17; Ash Grove, $30; East Schodack, $9.50; Rensselaer, $50; Schenectady, $91. Total, $287.50.
BURLINGTON DISTRICT.—Bennington, $19; Bristol, $5; Burlington, $48; Benson, $5; Cambridge, $15; Granville, $26; Hinesburg, $6; Middlebury, $12; Pittsford Circle, $8; Poultney, $26; Raceville, $8; Rutland, $14.50; Shelbourne, $10; Vergennes, $10.50. Total, $213.
PLATTSBURG DISTRICT.—Ft. Edward, $17; Glen Falls, $43; Keesville, $2; Moriah, $4; Morrisonville, $9.25; Plattsburg, $54; Circle, $17.13; Saranac, $17; South Glens Falls, $10; Wadhams Mills, $4.17; Westport, $21. Total, $198.55.
SARATOGA DISTRICT.—Ballston, $6.50; Cohoes: Remsen Street, $17.60; Gloversville: First Church, $101; Tremont, $127; Greenwich, $52.50, Jonesville, $25; Johnstown Circle, $18; Mechanicsville, $43; Round Lake, $21; Saratoga, $40; Circle, $22.80; Stillwater, $10. Total, $484.40.
TROY DISTRICT.—Dalton, $10.50; Green Island, $30; Hoosick Falls, $26.50; Lansingburg: Hedding Church, $27; First Church, $39; North Adams, $18; Pittsfield, $52; Troy: Fifth Avenue, $60; State Street, $36; Trinity, $5; Valley Falls, $20; Gift, $5. Total, $329.
Without Auxiliary Credit, $86.20. Total, $86.20.
Jewels, $1.30. Total, $1.30.
Leaflet, $1. Total, $1.
Thank-offering, $20. Total, $20.

Total General Fund, ... $1,620.50.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency.*—Gloversville: First Church, $50; Lansingburg: Hedding Church, $4.36; Plattsburg, $3.65; Round Lake, $5; Troy: Fifth Avenue, $20; Memorial Church, $4; Albany: Trinity, $5; St. Luke's, $4; Ft. Edward, $6; Dalton, $5; North Adams, $5; Valcour, $2; Pittsfield, $20; Bennington, $5; Burlington, $3; Hinesburg, $1: Troy: Fifth Avenue, $10; Thank-offering, $11.51. Total, $164.52.

Salary.—Middlebury, $2.50. Total, $2.50.

Total Special General Fund, ... $167.02.

Scholarship Fund.—*Bennett Home.*—Mrs. Simpson, $10; Glens Falls, $50; Troy: Fifth Avenue, $10. Total, $70.

Dulce.—Troy: Fifth Avenue, $30. Total, $30.

Emerson Home.—Albany: St. Luke's, $12; East Schodack, $1. Total, $13.

Harwood Home.—Albany: St. Luke's, $5; Plattsburg Circle, $10. Total, $15.

Jesse Lee Home.—Glens Falls, $50; Schenectady, 13; Gift of Mrs. Simmons, Schenectady, $50. Total, $113.

Kent Home.—Troy: Fifth Avenue, $10; Gloversville: First Church, $10; Lansingburg: First Church, $5; Troy Conference, $15. Total, $40.

Lucy Webb Hayes Home.—Gloversville: First Church, $5; Lansingburg: First Church, $5. Total, $10.

Mothers' Jewels Home.—Benson, $9; Bennington, $5; Greenwich, $2; Cohoes: Remsen Street, $3.60; East Schodack, 40 cents; Lansingburg: Hedding Church, $5.64; Watervliet: Third Avenue, $15; Westport, 40 cents. Total, $41.04.

New Jersey Home.—Gloversville: Fremont Street, $11.95; By Voucher, $58.47. Total, $70.42.

Oriental.—Troy: Fifth Avenue, $15; Amsterdam, $40. Total, $55.

Ritter Home.—Burlington, $20; Pittsford Circle, $2; Poultney, $5; Raceville, $2. Total, $29.

Stickney Home.—Troy: Fifth Avenue, $10; Troy Conference, $30. Total, $40.

Simpson Home.—By Voucher, $17. Total, $17.

Smith Home.—By Voucher, $5. Total, $5.

Watts de Peyster Home.—Plattsburg Circle, $15; Watervliet: Third Avenue, $11; By Voucher, $10. Total, $36.

Total Scholarship Fund, ... $584.46.

Special Fund.—*Allen Home.*—Rensselaer, Mrs. Griffin, $10. Total, $10.

Deaconess Fund.—Troy: Fifth Avenue, $5; Watervliet: First Avenue, $5; Third Avenue, $5. Total, $15.

Dulce.—Albany, 30 cents; Plattsburg, $8.48; Poultney, $1.75; Rensselaer, $20; Troy: Fifth Avenue, Miss Moore, $20; Leving's Chapel Junior League, $5; Watervliet: Third Avenue, $5. Total, $60.53.

Immigrant, New York.—Amsterdam, $25. Total, $25.

Jesse Lee Home.—Burlington, $9.50; Shelbourne, $5; Lansingburg: First Church, $10; Saratoga, $2; Troy: Memorial, $5; State Street, $5; Watervliet: $6.25. Total, $42.55.

Lucy Webb Hayes Home.—Albany: Ash Grove, $5; Glens Falls, $10; Schenectady, $10; Troy: State Street, $11. Total, $36.

Navajo-Jewett.—Saratoga, $5; Albany: First Church, $5; Grace, $7; Troy: Fifth Avenue, $95; Stillwater, $2; State Street, $15; Saranac, 30 cents; Burlington, $10; Glens Falls, $5; Greenwich, $1; Monkton, $3; North Adams, $2.58; Pittsfield, $5; Poultney, $7; Schuylerville, $2; Vergennes, $1.50; Round Lake, $12; Mechanicsville, $5; Albany: St. Luke's, $5; Cohoes, $18.50; Gloversville: First Church, $25; Tremont Street, $7.19; Troy: Fifth Avenue, $25; Westport, $3; Ft. Edward, $6; Lansingburg: First Church, $5; Troy, $26. Total, $318.07.

Rest Home.—Albany: Ash Grove, $5; Trinity, $5; St. Luke's, $5; Remington, $5; Cohoes, $5; Gloversville, $15; North Main Street, $4; Granville, $5; Greenwich, $10; Green Island, $5; Jonesville, $5; Round Lake, $5; By Voucher, $7. Total, $71.

Rust Hall.—To E. W. Simpson Room, $150: Troy, Mrs. Griffin, Rensselaer, $25; Glens Falls, $50; Watervliet: Third Avenue, $5. Total, $230.

Frontier.—By Voucher, $60.50. Total $60.50.

Total Special Fund, ... $880.65.
Grand Total, ... 3,252.63.

Texas Conference.

MRS. J. B. SCOTT, Treasurer, Marshall, Tex.

General Fund.—Houston: Trinity, $14. Total, $14.

Total General Fund, ... $14.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency.*—Marshall: King Home Circle, $1. Total, $1.

Total Special General Fund, ... $1.
Grand Total, ... 15.

*Upper Iowa Conference.**

MRS. R. B. VAN NESS, Treasurer, Marion, Iowa.

General Fund.—CEDAR FALLS DISTRICT.—Cedar Falls, $49; District Collection, $23; Clarksville, $13.75; Greene, $15.25; Janesville, $7; La Porte, $18; Nashua, $12; Raymond, $19; Rockford, $13; Sumner, $4.25; Waterloo: First Church, $38.25; Grace, $52; Waverly, $22.41. Total, $286.91.

CEDAR RAPIDS DISTRICT.—Anamosa, $20.50; Cedar Rapids, $39; Iowa City, $24.90; Marion, $31; Mt. Vernon, $66; Prairie Chapel, $13; Simpson Chapel, $7; Springville, $14; Tipton, $29.50; Traer, $30.25; Vinton, $11.25. Total, $286.40.

DAVENPORT DISTRICT.—Bennett, $8.50; Center Junction, $15; Clinton, $39; Davenport: First Church, $46.50; Circle, $13.55; Fourteenth Street, $13; De Witt, $11; Maquoketa, $11; McCausland, $3; Vernon Prairie, $11; Wyoming, $19.90. Total, 191.45.

DECORAH DISTRICT.—Charles City, $42; Decorah, $4; Osage, $24.50; Postville, $10.10. Total, $80.60.

DUBUQUE DISTRICT.—Delhi, $3.85; Dubuque, $1; Edgewood, $9.50; Epworth, $27.55; Farley, $4.75; Fayette, $22; Greeley, $5.10; Hopkinton, $12.50; Independence, $23.50; John's Creek, $9.75; Lamont, $14; Manchester, $90; Prairie Center, $29.50; Winthrop, $18. Total $271.

MARSHALLTOWN DISTRICT.—Belle Plains, $25.25; Circle, $1.04; Blairstown, $6.50; Grundy Center, $5; Haven, $17; Hampton, $27.75; Iowa Falls, $12; Mason City, $42.65; Morrison, $7; Sheffield, $16; State Center, $6. Total, $166.19.

Leaflet, $3.25. Total, $3.25.

Thank-offering, $9. Total, $9.

Amount carried from last year, and dividends declared by bank, $602.18. Total, $602.18.

By Voucher, $9. Total, $9.

Total General Fund, ... $1,905.98.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency.*—Iowa City, $9.31; Davenport: First Church, $5; Prairie City, $5. Total, $19.31.

Salaries.—Bennett Home.—Belle Plaine, $6.68; Blairstown, $8; Clinton, $25; Charles City, $14.21; Cedar Falls, $29.33; Cedar Rapids, $7.52; Du-

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buque, $15; Davenport: First Church, $20; Fourteenth Street, $5; De Witt, $3; Epworth, $10; Fayette, $7; Greene, $12; Greeley, $7; Hopkinton, $2.60; Iowa City, $19.35; Independence, $5.95; Iowa Falls, $2; Lamont, $7.92; La Porte City, $15; Marion, $13.48; Mt. Vernon, $15; Maquoketa, $25; Manchester, $8; Mason City, $5; Nashua, $3; Postville, 50 cents; Raymond, $11; Rockford, $7.50; Springville, $5.60; Sheffield, $3.59; State Center, $5; Tipton, $5.29; Vernon Prairie, $10; Waterloo: Grace, $9.80; Waverly, $37; Wyoming, $4.50. Total, $392.42.

Total Special General Fund, ... $411.73.

Scholarship Fund.—*Bennett Home.*—Davenport: First Church, $15; Circle, $10; Fourteenth Street, $10. Total, $35.

Jesse Lee Home.—Davenport: First Church, $18. Total, $18.

Lucy Webb Hayes Home.—Waterloo, $5. Total, $5.

Oriental Work.—Cedar Falls, $4.33; Cedar Rapids, $2.94; Mt. Vernon, $6; Clinton, $10; Sheffield, $6; Prairie Center, $3.77. Total, $44.04.

Smith.—By Voucher, $21. Total, $21.

Total Scholarship Fund, ... $112.04.

Special Fund.—*Bennett Home.*—Davenport: First Church, $10. Total, $10.

Jesse Lee Home.—Cedar Falls, $5; Lisbon, $5; Manchester, $10. Total, $20.

Deaconess Fund.—Iowa City, $5.06; By Voucher, $17. Total, $22.06.

Deaconess Home.—Des Moines: By Voucher, $6.13. Total, $6.13.

Glenn Home—Iowa Falls, (Mrs. L. Knapp) $5. Total, $5.

Immigrant Home, New York.—Vernon Prairie, $4.67; By Voucher, $11. Total, $15.67.

King Home—Cedar Falls, $5; Mt. Vernon, $5; Davenport: First Church, $5; Charles City, $1; Iowa City, $1.05; Vernon Prairie, $4.76; Manchester, $5. Total, $26.81.

Lucy Webb Hayes Home.—Charles City, $1.29; Dubuque, $10; Dubuque District, $8; Davenport: First Church, $5; Epworth, $7.75; Farley, 25 cents; Independence, $2.05; Mason City, $2.58; Manchester, $69; Mt. Vernon, $10; Raymond, $5; Sheffield, $1.70; Springville, $2; State Center, $2.15; Tipton, $5; Vernon Prairie, $1; Waterloo: First Church, $20; Grace, $20; Wyoming, $4.73. Total, $167.50.

Special Fund.—*Mothers' Jewels Home.*—Greene, $3; Sumner, $12.50; Raymond, 50 cents. Total, $16.

Porto Rico.—Fayette, $2. Total, $2.

Rust Hall.—Davenport: First Church, $15; Fourteenth Street, $5; Clinton: First Church, $10; Iowa Falls, $10; Manchester, $65; Anamosa, $1.42; Iowa City, $100; Mt. Vernon, $10; Gift of Mrs. Chloe Collin, $100. Total, $316.42.

Marcy Home.—By Voucher, $5.50. Total, $5.50.

Total Special Fund, ... $613.09.
Grand Total, ... 3042.84.

Utah Mission Conference.

MRS. GEO. H. JAYNE, Treasurer, Salt Lake City, Utah.

General Fund.—Salt Lake City: First Church, $35; Iliff Church, $4.60; Second Church, $12.50; Ogden, $3.55; Payson, $6.50; Provo, 50 cents; Without Auxiliary Credit, $32.25; Agnes Bülow, $1. Total, $92.90.

Total General Fund, ... $92.90.

Emergency Fund.—Scandinavian Friends, $14; Miss Simonson, $1; Salt Lake City: First Church, $6; A Friend in Idaho, $5. Total, $26.

Total Emergency Fund, ... $26.

Special Fund.—*Rust Hall*, $10. Total, $10.

Total Special Fund, ... $10.
By Voucher, ... 139.45.
Grand Total, ... 268.35.

Vermont Conference.

MRS. F. W. LEWIS, Treasurer, Bellows Falls, Vt.

General Fund.—MONTPELIER DISTRICT.—Ascutneyville, $8.48; Bellows Falls, $11; Bradford, $16; Brownsville, $2; Claremont Junction Camp-meeting, $4; Hartland, $8.50; Montepelier, $21; Northfield, $12.60; Randolph Center, $3; Jewels, 10 cents; Springfield, $5; White River Junction, $16.50; Circle, $6; Windsor, $10.95. Total, $125.13.

St. ALBANS DISTRICT.—Enosburg Falls, $26; Fairfax, $5.75; North Fairfax, $7.25; Richford, $23; St. Albans, $22.25; Waitsfield Jewels, 20 cents; Waterbury, $1. Total, $85.45.

ST. JOHNSBURY DISTRICT.—Barre, $17; Barton Landing, $1; Cabot, $9; Graton, $9; Hardwick, $15.75; Irasburg Circle, $6.50; Band, $1; Plainfield, $8.50; Jewels, 10 cents; St. Johnsbury, $30; St. Johnsbury Center, $8; Walden, 1; Jewels, 10 cents; Williamstown, $13; Circle, $2. Total, $121.95.

Leaflet, 25 cents. Total, 25 cents.

Total General Fund, ... $332.98.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency.*—Bradford, $5; Enosburg Falls, $12; Irasburg, $5; Randolph Center, $10; St. Albans, $2; St. Johnsbury, 11; West Berlin, $5. Total, $50.

Teacher's Salary.—Irasburg, $2.25. Total, $2.25.

Total Special General Fund, ... $52.25.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Harwood Home.*—Barnard Sunday-school Class, $5. Total, $5.

Jesse Lee Home.—Not Distributed to Auxiliaries, $50. Total, $50.

Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—Not Distributed to Auxiliaries, $20.35. Total, $20.30.

Stickney Home.—Not distributed to Auxiliaries, $40. Total, $45.

Ritter Home.—White River Junction, $23; Circle, $25; Claremont Junctiou Camp-meeting, $10; Auxiliary Not Named, $1. Total, $59.

Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $174.35.

Special Fund.—Key West: Waitsfield, $1. Total, $1.

Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—Ascutneyville, $1; Barton, $5; Bradford, 35 cents; Hardwick, $2; Morrisville Camp-meeting, $8.75; St. Albans, $2; Sheldon Camp-meeting, $10.25; Williamstown, $1; Wilmington, $2: Other Sources, 80 cents. Total, $35.30.

Rust Hall.—Conference Collection, $10; Hardwick, $1.25; Randolph Center, $5; St. Johnsbury, $10. Total, $26.25.

By Voucher, $9. Total, $9.

Total Special Funds, ... $62.55.
Grand Total, ... 631.13.

Virginia Conference.

IDA N. BALL, Treasurer, Fall Church, Virginia.

General Fund.—Alexandria: Trinity, $9.55; Circle, $3.47; Fall Church, $9.75; Through Manley Hard, $14. Total, $36.77.

Total General Fund, ... $36.77.

Scholarship Fund.—*Harwood Home.*—Roanoke: Jewels, $5. Total, $5.

Mothers' Jewels Home.—Alexandria: Trinity, $8.32. Total, $8.32.

Total Scholarship Fund, ... $13.32.
Grand Total, ... 50.09.

Washington Conference.

MISS IDA R. CUMMINGS, Treasurer, 424 West Biddle Street, Baltimore, Md.

General Fund.—Washington: Metropolitan Church, $20; Collection, $22. Total, $42.

Total General Fund, ... $42.
Grand Total, ... 42.

West Nebraska Conference.

MRS. G. F. COOK, Treasurer, Kearney, Nebraska.

General Fund.—KEARNEY DISTRICT.—Dues, $27.25; Kearney: First Church, $9.25; Loup City, $8.75. Total, $45.25.

Total General Fund, ... $45.25.

Special General Fund.—*Teacher's Salary.*—Conference Collection, $20. Total, $20.

Total Special General Fund, ... $20.00.
Grand Total, ... 65.25.

West Texas Conference.

MRS. E. S. SPRIGGS, Treasurer, San Antonio, Texas.

General Fund.—AUSTIN DISTRICT.—Austin, $1.80; Simpson Mission, $1; Belton, $1. Total, $3.80.

COLUMBUS DISTRICT.—Alleyton, $1.50; Brown's Chapel, 50 cents; Eagle Lake, $1; Flatonia, $1; Fayetteville, 50 cents; Hallettsville, 50 cents: Navidad, 50 cents; Oakland, $1.50; Schulenberg, $1.50; Victoria, 25 cents; Weimar, 25 cents. Total, $9.

DALLAS DISTRICT.—Antioch, 25 cents; Dallas, 25 cents; Denison, 25 cents; Lancaster, $1; Milford, $1.50; Sherman, 75 cents. Total, $4.

SAN ANTONIO DISTRICT.—Cuero, $2; Elm Slough, $1; Fannin, 25 cents; Goliad, 75 cents; Loan Oak, 25 cents; San Antonio, $2.35; Mrs. Collins, $1. Total, $7.60.

WACO DISTRICT.—Waco, $2.75. Total, $2.75.
Jewels, $5.76. Total, $5.76.
Undistributed, $3.49. Total, $3.49.

Total General Fund, ... $36.40.

Special Fund.—*For Training-school.*—Brown's Chapel, 50 cents; Hallettsville, $1.50; Milford, 50 cents; Cuero, $1; Waco, 50 cents; Collections, $2.25: San Antonio, $16; Calvert, $6. Total, $28.25.

Total Special Fund, ... $28.25.
Grand Total, ... 64.65.

West Virginia Conference.

MISS HATTIE LIST, Treasurer, 827 Main Street, Wheeling, W. Va.

General Fund.—Wheeling: Membership Dues, $23. Total, $23.

Total General Fund, ... $23.

Special Fund.—*Rust Hall.*—Mrs. Henry H. List and family, $30; Mrs. Edward Hazlett, $10. Total, $40.

Total Special Fund, ... $40.
Grand Total, ... 63.

West Wisconsin Conference.

MRS. J. H. HAINES, Treasurer, Eau Claire, Wis.

General Fund.—ASHLAND DISTRICT.—Barron, $3.50; Shell Lake, $1. Total, $4.50.

EAU CLAIRE DISTRICT.—Augusta, $4.32; Eau Claire, $5.75; Eleva, $7; Hudson, $6.50; New Richmond, $5. Total, $28.57.

MADISON DISTRICT.—Madison, 7.05; Richland Center, $1; Spring Green, 1; Verona, $21, Westfield, $1. Total, $31.05.

LA CROSSE DISTRICT.—Baraboo, $9; Chippewa Falls, $1.75; Mineral Point, $6.70. Total, $17.45.

PLATTE DISTRICT.—Dodgeville, $18.01; Durant, $8; Spring Creek, $4; Fennimore, $2; Platteville, $9. Total, 41.01.

Mite-boxes, $9.40 Total, $9.40.

General Fund not Distributed to Auxiliaries, $197.49. Total, $197.49.

Leaflets, 50 cents. Total, 50 cents.

Total General Fund, ... $329.97.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency.*—Baraboo, $5. Total, $5.

Total Special General Fund, ... $5.

Scholarship Fund.—*Adaline Smith Home*, $5. Total, $5.

Harwood Home, $5. Total, $5.

Mothers' Jewels Home, $6.05. Total, $6.05.

Total Scholarship Fund, ... $16.05.

Special Fund.—*Alaska Hospital*, $17.50. Total, $17.50.

Rust Hall.—Mrs. W. F. Emory, $40; Winona, $4; Altoona, $10; Collection at Platteville Meeting, $30; Dodgeville, $5; Miss Durham, $10.75. Total, $99.75.

Deaconess Fund, $3.50. Total, $3.50.

Lucy Webb Hayes Home, $3.05. Total, $3.05.

Frontier.—By Voucher, $267.95. Total, $267.95.

Total Special Fund, ... $391.75.
Grand Total, ... 742.77.

NOTE.—Credit By Voucher for Deaconess work, $78.

Wilmington Conference.

MRS. E. J. ROBINSON, Treasurer, 905 West Street, Wilmington, Delaware.

General Fund.—DOVER DISTRICT.—Dover, $16. Total, $16.
EASTON DISTRICT.—Chestertown, $19; Middletown, $20.50. Total, $39.50.
SALISBURY DISTRICT.—Salisbury, $26. Total, $26.
WILMINGTON DISTRICT.—Brandywine: Summit Camp, $2; Mite-boxes, $2.05; Elkton, $25; Newark, $12.88; Band, $2.60; Newcastle, $29.68; Band, $7; Jewels, $6.13; Rising Sun, $9; Scott, $46; Circle, $4.65; Band, $6.37; Jewels, $3.20; Mite-box, $5.95; Silverbrook, $9.75; Union, $41.65; Jewels, $1.50; Band, $1.34; Wilmington: Asbury, $31; Epworth, $15; Jewels, $2.60; Grace, $81; Circle, $17.50; Band, $6.05; Jewels, $14.90; Harrison Street Mite-boxes, $1.66; Mt. Salem, $21.75; St. Paul's, $47.50; Jewels, $1.50. Total, $456.71.
Leaflets, $2.75. Total, $2.75.
Total General Fund, ... $540.96.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency Fund.*—Union, $10; Wilmington: Mt. Salem, $4.91; St. Paul's, $4.25. Total, $19.16.
Total Special General Fund, ... $19.16.

Beneficiary Fund.—*Allen Home.*—Elkton, $2; Silverbrook, $5.76; Wilmington: Asbury, $2; Epworth Jewels, $2.80; St. Paul's, $5. Total, $17.56.
Harwood Home.—Wilmington: Grace Band, $5. Total, $5.
Jesse Lee Home.—Elkton, $5; Wilmington: Asbury, $5; Grace, $25; Circle, $5; St. Paul's, $10. Total, $50.
King Home.—Elkton, $5; Scott Jewels, $7.10; Union, $4.73; Wilmington: Asbury, $6.34; St. Paul's, $2.50. Total, $25.67.
New Jersey Home.—Newark Band, $5. Total, $5.
Oriental Work.—Wilmington: St. Paul, $5.84. Total, $5.84.
Simpson Home.—Wilmington: Grace, $40. Total, $40.
Total Beneficiary Fund, ... $149.07.

Special Fund.—*Allen Home.*—Mt. Salem, $5. Total, $5.
Rest Home.—Scott, $1; Union, $5; St. Paul's, $2.50; Rest Home Managers, $5. Total, $13.50.

NOTE.—Transferred to the above fund from the John A. Wise bequest, $25.

Rust Hall.—Chestertown, $3.35; New Castle, $5; Salisbury, $3; Wilmington: Asbury, $5; Epworth, $5.27; Grace, $25; Band, $5. Total, $51.62.
Total Special Fund, ... $70.71.
Grand Total, ... 779.90.

Wisconsin Conference.

MRS. J. K. REYNOLDS, Treasurer, Omro, Wisconsin.

General Fund.—APPLETON DISTRICT.—Appleton, $40. Total, $40.
FOND DU LAC DISTRICT.—Fond du Lac: Cotton Street, $4.50; Division Street, $2; Sheboygan, $15.62; Waupun, $17.75; Waterloo and York, $8. Total, $47.87.
MILWAUKEE DISTRICT.—Genoa Junction, $1; Washington Avenue, $29.25; Milwaukee: Trinity, $11. Total, $41.25.

OSHKOSH DISTRICT.—Oshkosh: Algona Street, $22.75; First Church, $24.05; Zion, $1. Total, $47.80.
Thank-offering, $14.89. Total, $14.89.
Mite-box, $6.21. Total, $6.21.
Total General Fund, ... $198.02.

Scholarship Fund.—Without Auxiliary Credit, $7.60. Total, $7.60.
Total Scholarship Fund, ... $7.60.

Special Fund.—*Jesse Lee Hospital.*—Omro: Mrs. G. F. Reynolds, $5; Mrs. R. W. Bates, $2.50. Total, $7.50.
Rust Hall.—Horricon, $1.55; Eau Claire: Mrs. Long, $5. Total, $6.55.
Total Special Fund, ... $14.05.
Grand Total, ... 219.67.

Wyoming Conference.

MRS. FRED H. HASKINS, Treasurer, 121 Murray Street, Binghamton, N. Y.

General Fund.—BINGHAMTON DISTRICT.—Binghamton: Centenary, $92; Jewels, $7.80; Circle, $8; Chenango Street, $27.50; High Street, $18.25; Tabernacle, $76; Band, $1.75; Jewels, $5; Susquehanna, $16. Total, $252.30.
CHENANGO DISTRICT.—Norwich, $17.28; Oxford, $8; Rockdale Circle, $2.50; Schuyler's Lake, $10. Total, $37.78.
HONESDALE DISTRICT.—Bethany, $2; Carbondale, $26.50; Dunmore, $19; Hawley, $17.75; Jermyn, $32.50. Total, $97.75.
ONEONTA DISTRICT.—Afton, $14.03; Oneonta, $31.75; Westford, $8. Total, $53.78.
OWEGO DISTRICT.—Newark Valley, $17.25; Owego, $25.49; Waverly, $14. Total, $56.74.
WYOMING DISTRICT.—Clark's Summit, $11; Kingston, $34.75; Lackawanna, $7.80; Nanticoke, $19.25; Pittston, $3.60; Scranton: Simpson, $49.75; Jewels, $8.10; Elm Park, $16; Providence, $10; Tunkahannock, $14.75; Circle, $3.06; West Pittston, $36.75; Jewels, $6.80; Wilkes Barre: Central, $48.40; Jewels, $6.30; First Church, $60; Circle, $6. Total, $378.31.
Leaflet, 75 cents. Total, 75 cents.
Jewels, $14.40. Total, $14.40.
Total General Fund, ... $891.81.

Special General Fund. — *Emergency.* — Binghamton: Centenary, $53.55. Total, $53.55.
Total Special General Fund, ... $53.55.

Scholarship Fund.—*Bennett Home.*—West Pittston, $10. Total, $10.
Harwood Home.—Binghamton: Centenary, $10; Circle, $5. Total, $15.
Italian Work.—Wilkes Barre: First Church, $20. Total, $20.
Jesse Lee Home.—Scranton: Simpson, $20; Wilkes Barre: Central, $4.65. Total, $24.65.
Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—Scranton: Elm Park, $33.33; Wilkes Barre, $132. Total, $165.33.
New Jersey Home.—Schuyler's Lake, $5. Total, $5.
Oriental Work.—Hawley, $1. Total $1.
Ritter Home.—Binghamton: Centenary, $50; Owego, $10. Total, $60.
Simpson Home, $10. Total, $10.
Total Scholarship Fund, ... $310.98.

Special Fund.—*Bennett Home.*—Binghamton: Chenango Street, 67 cents; Hawley, $5; Waverly, $3.75; Nanticoke, $1.67; Scranton: Elm Park, $41.67; Tunkahannock, $1.21; Band, $57.06; Wilkes Barre: Central, $1; First Church, $315. Total, $397.03.

Dulce.—Wilkes Barre: First Church, $50. Total, $50.

Hawaii.—Binghamton: Tabernacle, $19; Waverly, $6; Hawley, $10. Total, $35.

Immigrant Home, New York.—West Pittston, $10; Wilkes Barre: First, $15. Total, $25.

Italian Work.—Binghamton: Tabernacle, $8; Jermyn, $2.01; Wilkes Barre: First Church, $5. Total, $15.01.

Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school.—Norwich, $6.60; West Pittston: Epworth League, $10. Total, $16.60.

Montana Work.—Wilkes Barre: First Church, $50. Total, $50.

Oriental Work.—Conference Collections, $9. Total, $9.

Rest Home.—Binghamton: Centenary, $6. Total, $6.

Rust Hall.—Binghamton: Centenary, $50; Carbondale, $1.75; Oneonta, $10.45; Owego, $10; Scranton: Elm Park, $10; Simpson, $5; Susquehanna, $2.75; West Pittston, $25; Wilkes Barre: Central, $17.50; First Church, $13.76. Total, $146.21.

Sibley Hospital.—West Pittston, $10. Total, $10.

Simpson Home.—Binghamton: Tabernacle, $300. Total, $300.

Watts de Peyster Home.—By Voucher, $10. Total, $10.

Total Special Fund, ... $1,069.85.
Grand Total, ... 2,326.19.

Other Sources.

General Fund.—Lunches, $6.99; Conference collections, $232.37; St. Louis, German, $37; Dues, $4.50; Miss Quayle, $3.25; Leaflets, $13.50; Salary returned, $13.21; Mite-box, $33.35; Travel, $16.85; Mothers' Jewels, $12.09; Magley and Steiss, $300; Gifts, $31.95; Tax, $4.75; Mrs. Luce, $4.50; Eaton & Mains, $92; Montana, $5.25; Mrs. A. A. Gordon, $18; Miss E. O. Elliott, $2; Advertisements: G. H. Thompson, $10; Rebate, $7 38; Sale of Property at Pawhuska, $185; By Voucher, $21; Pittsburg Conference, $35.49. Total, $1,133.06.

Total General Fund, ... $1,133.06.

Special General Fund.—*Emergency.*—Bluffton, Indiana, $5; A friend, Gloversville, $5; A friend, Saco, $10; Mary Weeks, $1. Total, $21.

Salary.—Dulce, $2. Total, $2.

Total Special General Fund, ... $23.

Scholarship Fund.—*Kent Home.*—Balance sent by Mrs. Park, $72.67. Total, $72.67.

Mothers' Jewels Home.—Marguerite Greer's Mite-box, $1. Total, $1.

New Jersey Home.—Balance sent by Mrs. Park, $15. Total, $15.

Total Scholarship Fund, ... $88.67.

Special Fund.—*Deaconess Fund.*—Buffalo Deaconess Home, through Miss Durham, $12.20. Total, $12.20.

Italian Work.—Through Mrs. Arter, for stoves and mattresses, $7. Total, $7.

Jesse Lee Home.—Rent of land at Unalaska, $300; *Hospital.*—M. Elizabeth Mellor, $5.50; Mr Wingard, Tacoma, $5. Total, $310.50.

Lucy Webb Hayes Home.—Sale of books, $4. Total, $4.

Rust Hall.—Mrs. Rebecca Ruter Springer, $10; Miss E. O. Elliot, $20; A friend, $100; Hudson, Mass., $10; Brookline: St. Mark's, $10; Mrs. C. E. Libby, Roxbury, Mass., $10; Roxbury, Mass., $10; Mrs. E. M. Fahs, Olney, Ill., $5; James Conard, Ill., $1; Collections, $5.24; Miss Bell Hanna, Mt. Vernon, Iowa, $10; Miss Helen M. Newall, Boston, Mass., $10; Miss Ida Rogers, Washington, D. C., $10; Friends, $30.75; Annual Meeting, through Mrs. Potter, $15. Total, $256.99.

Stickney Home.—One Thousand Island Park, $130.20. Total, $130.20.

Total Special Fund, ... $721.89.

Rest Home.—By Voucher, $4,552.11. Total, $4,552.11.

Cleveland Deaconess Home.—By Voucher, $2,100.66. Total, $2,100.66.

Various Homes.—By Voucher, $7,585.24. Total, $7,585.24.

Total By Voucher, ... $14,238.01.
Total Cash, ... 1,987.62.
Grand Total, ... 16,204.63.

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS.

Conferences.	General Fund.		Emergency Fund.	Salary.		Scholarship Fund.		Special Fund.		Total.	
	Cash.	Voucher.	Cash.	Cash.	Voucher	Cash.	Voucher.	Cash.	Voucher.	Cash.	Voucher.
Austin								$5 00		$5 00	
Baltimore	$1,774 49	$51 41	$37 00	$100 00		$375 00	$92 50	298 00	$8,897 02	2,584 49	$9,040 93
California	434 96	279 92	5 00				1,047 13	13 00	2,809 36	452 96	4,136 41
Central Illinois	64 70		28 00			25 00		50 75		168 45	
Central New York	1,795 74		146 17			322 38	20 00	274 41		2,538 70	20 00
Central Ohio	1,156 00	10 00	120 73	337 19		249 89	25 00	370 65	100 00	2,234 46	135 00
*Central Pennsylvania	634 85			62 50		257 29		203 50	257 41	1,158 14	257 41
Central Tennessee	8 00									8 00	
Cincinnati	1,866 38	45 00	124 56	89 60		365 76	20 00	306 79	2,232 38	2,753 09	2,297 38
Colorado	177 52	78 08	33 18			44 25		19 40	865 43	274 35	943 51
Columbia River	123 50		5 00					25 00		153 50	
Des Moines	243 66	43 25	11 00			8 75	5 00	188 75	747 48	452 16	795 73
Detroit	1,140 51	1,802 51	19 75			215 25		397 52	4,368 31	1,773 03	6,170 82
East Maine	52 00									52 00	
East Ohio	1,670 54		85 36	147 25		492 74	90 50	38 00	770 68	2,433 89	861 18
East Tennessee	87 23									87 23	
Erie	1,314 56		148 85	276 19		142 32	100 00	154 00		2,035 92	100 00
Florida	64 15									64 15	
Genesee	1,532 52	125 50	12 15			267 65	10 00	169 70	2,243 28	1,982 02	2,378 78
Holston	123 70								379 56	123 70	379 56
Illinois	778 40	14 52	79 90	21 00		139 50	30 00	240 25	1,069 43	1,259 05	1,113 95
Indiana	878 17		40 10			53 44		446 07	402 06	1,417 78	402 06
Iowa	594 98		20 22			301 33	16 00	156 82	5 00	1,073 35	21 00
Kansas	209 25		11 55			216 54		46 21		483 55	
Kentucky	86 65		20 00			5 00				111 65	
Louisiana	37 30							26 65		63 95	
Maine	515 10		6 50			28 60		55 75		605 95	
Michigan	638 49	398 03	119 40	215 22		305 25		370 08	916 46	1,648 44	1,314 49
Minnesota and N. Minn	339 66	71 78	59 00			512 50		260 00		1,171 16	71 78
Missouri	82 41					15 00				97 41	
Montana	19 25									19 25	
Nebraska	344 68		10 00			82 02		31 06		467 76	
Newark	1,774 50	5 12	62 20			399 41	169 07	191 00	1,741 70	2,427 11	1,915 89
New England	1,934 07		62 00	7 00		705 50	35 65	1,439 00	1,266 00	4,147 57	1,301 65
New England Southern	926 10		102 00			238 30		260 34	16 00	1,526 74	16 00
New Hampshire	440 89		5 00		4 68	185 13	42 12	40 55	23 00	671 57	69 80
New Jersey	1,300 78		9 00			118 70		70 50	65 00	1,498 98	65 00
New Mexico	10 42		9 00			11 45				30 87	
New York	1,067 21		40 00			980 53	5 00	2,600 20	205 00	4,720 97	210 00

New York East	794 27		1 50	66 15		19 00	71 50	180 00	3,587 86	1,060 92	3,659 36
North Indiana	1,004 27		45 66	375 32		234 87		208 09		1,868 21	
North Nebraska	285 70		24 00			28 15	31 88	57 25	20 75	395 10	52 63
North Ohio	948 02	139 41	91 78			214 10	1 00	311 26	230 41	1,565 16	370 82
Northern New York	1,560 48		51 50	6 25		438 14	45 45	96 72	15 00	2,153 09	60 45
Northwest Indiana	571 44		27 29			60 55		59 50		718 78	
Northwest Iowa	1,225 97		10 72	58 31		237 61		199 46		1,732 07	
Northwest Kansas	43 75		9 70							53 45	
Northwest Nebraska	5 00									5 00	
Ohio	1,211 61		63 70	229 93		413 27	5 00	256 95	10 00	2,175 46	15 00
Oklahoma	103 80	105 15			66 35				15 00	103 80	186 50
Oregon	115 53	106 18	15 00			105 40		22 10	50 00	258 03	156 18
Philadelphia	658 35	312 35	45 60	200 00		135 00	20 00	277 04	8,029 72	1,315 99	8,362 07
Pittsburg	1,163 70	18 20	110 25			139 15		245 87	2,815 63	1,658 97	2,833 83
Puget Sound	162 21	44 75				109 97		12 50	144 83	284 68	189 58
Rock River	137 40	1,016 48	40 00			15 85	40 00	20 00	3,515 69	213 25	4,572 17
St. Louis	117 25					10 00		50 00		177 25	
South Carolina	24 00									24 00	
South Kansas	82 17		5 45							87 62	
Southern California	894 87	294 12				56 00	213 10	62 00	2,162 95	1,012 87	2,670 17
Southern Illinois	8 00									8 00	
Southwest Kansas	394 42	4 00	5 00	9 60					39 00	409 02	43 00
Texas	14 00		1 00							15 00	
Troy	1,620 50		164 52	2 50		493 99	90 47	813 15	67 50	3,094 66	157 97
Upper Iowa	1,896 98	9 00	19 31	392 42		91 04	21 00	573 46	39 63	2,973 21	69 63
Utah Mission	92 90		26 00					10 00	139 45	128 90	139 45
Vermont	332 98		50 00	2 25		174 35		62 55	9 00	622 13	9 00
Virginia	36 77					13 32				50 09	
Washington	42 00									42 00	
West Nebraska	45 25			20 00						65 25	
West Texas	36 40							28 25		64 65	
West Virginia	23 00							40 00		63 00	
West Wisconsin	329 97		5 00			16 05		123 80	267 95	474 82	267 95
Wilmington	540 96		19 16			149 07		70 71		779 90	
Wisconsin	198 02					7 60	53 00	14 05		219 67	53 00
Wyoming	891 81		53 55			310 98		1,059 85	10 00	2,316 19	10 00
Other Sources	1,112 06	21 00	21 00	2 00		88 67		721 89	14,238 01	1,945 62	14,259 01
Annuities	1,190 00							1,500 00		2,690 00	
Bequests	9,360 34									9,360 34	
Endowments	200 00									200 00	
Loans	21,390 00									21,390 00	
Balance from last year										3,733 85	
Total	$77,109 50	$4,995 76	$2,329 31	$2,620 68	$71 03	$10,615 61	$2,300 37	$15,885 40	$64,788 94	$112,294 35	$72,156 10

Grand Total—Cash and Cash Vouchers $184,450 45

* Report for three quarters only.

EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR.

Salaries, Travel, Current Expenses, Scholarship, and Special Funds.

SOUTHERN WORK.

Haven Home and School, Savannah, Ga.:		
Salaries,	$1,420 00	
Travel,	122 63	
Current Expenses,	404 87	
Scholarship,	147 38	
Special Fund,	17 50	
		$2,112 38
Scholarship—By Cash Voucher, $20.		
Self-help, Board, $1,139.50; Tuition, $472.05; other sources, $45,		1,656 55
Mary Haven Home, Isle of Hope, Ga.:		
Salary,	$340 00	
Travel,	51 00	
Current Expenses,	197 18	
Special Fund,	6 82	
		$595 00
Special Fund—By Cash Voucher, $15.		
Thayer Home, South Atlanta, Ga.:		
Salary,	$817 50	
Current Expenses,	828 50	
Scholarship,	248 50	
Special Fund,	566 25	
		$2,460 75
Scholarship—By Cash Voucher, $40.		
Special Fund—By Cash Voucher, $10.		
Self-help, Board, $916.85; other sources, $110,		1,026 85
Boylan Home and School, Jacksonville, Fla.:		
Salary,	$1,680 00	
Travel,	347 75	
Current Expenses,	230 00	
Scholarship,	230 69	
Special Fund,	5 55	
		$2,493 99
Salary—By Cash Voucher, $4.68.		
Scholarship—By Cash Voucher, $42.		
Special Fund—By Cash Voucher, $10.		
Self-help, Board, $1,096.40; Tuition, $868.25; other sources, $43.30,		2,007 95
Emerson Home and School, Ocala, Fla.:		
Salary,	$680 00	
Travel,	181 17	
Current Expenses,	200 00	
Scholarship,	43 00	
		$1,104 17
Special Fund—By Cash Voucher, $5.		
Self-help, Board, $617.15; other sources, $385.98,		1,003 13

Allen Industrial Home and School, Asheville, N. C.:

Salary,	$1,180 00	
Travel,	91 77	
Current Expenses,	302 50	
Scholarship,	312 06	
Special Fund,	308 24	
		$2,194 57
Scholarship—By Cash Voucher, $3.		
Self-help, Board, $785.85; Tuition, $226.68; other sources, $100.92,		1,113 45

Browning Home and School, Camden, S. C.:

Salary,	$1,333 32	
Travel,	239 37	
Scholarship,	132 50	
Special Fund,	333 00	
		$2,038 19
Scholarship—By Cash Voucher, $10.		
Special Fund—By Cash Voucher, $22.25.		
Self-help, Board, $687.39; Tuition, $382.90,		1,070 29

Simpson Home, Orangeburg, S. C.:

Salary,	$600 00	
Travel,	101 55	
Current Expenses,	235 00	
Scholarship,	254 50	
Special Fund,	436 00	
		$1,627 05
Scholarship—By Cash Voucher, $98.25.		
Special Fund—By Cash Voucher, $15,		
Self-help, Board,		875 50

Kent Home, Greensboro, N. C.:

Salary,	$565 00	
Travel,	43 64	
Current Expenses,	60 00	
Scholarship,	190 88	
		$859 52
Scholarship—By Cash Voucher, $16.		

New Jersey Home, Morristown, Tenn.:

Salary,	$552 50	
Travel,	62 67	
Current Expenses,	70 00	
Scholarship,	236 99	
		$922 16
Scholarship—By Cash Voucher, $152.52.		
Self-help, Board, $499.85; other sources, $4.15,		504 00

Ritter Home, Athens, Tenn.:

Salary,	$585 00	
Current Expenses,	100 00	
Scholarship,	830 30	
		$1,515 30
Scholarship—By Cash Voucher, $63.97.		
Self-help, Board, $720.94; other sources, $7.63,		728 57

Bennett Home and School, Clarkson, Miss.:

Salary,	$1,500 00	
Travel,	136 38	
Current Expenses,	108 70	
Scholarship,	284 55	
Special Fund,	470 21	
		$2,499 84
Scholarship—By Cash Voucher, $35.		
Special Fund—By Cash Voucher, $10.		
Self-help, Board, $894.70; Tuition, $308.53; other sources, $20.55,		1,223 78

E. L. Rust Home, Holly Springs, Miss.:

Salary,	$630 00	
Travel,	115 54	
Current Expenses,	242 72	
Scholarship,	147 30	
Special Fund,	35 52	
		$1,171 08
Self-help, Board, $786.45; other sources, $9.87,		796 32

Adeline Smith Home, Little Rock, Ark.:

Salary,	$440 00	
Travel,	26 00	
Current Expenses,	311 00	
Scholarship,	179 04	
		$956 04
Scholarship—By Cash Voucher, $80.		
Self-help, Board, $1,190; other sources, $59,		1,249 00

Italian Work, New Orleans, La.:

Salary,	$655 00	
Travel,	102 50	
Current Expenses,	278 00	
Scholarship,	47 50	
Special Fund,	43 01	
		$1,126 01
Scholarship—By Cash Voucher, $5.		

King Home, Marshall, Texas.:

Salary,	$593 30	
Travel,	113 60	
Scholarship,	316 00	
Special Fund,	90 00	
		$1,112 90
Scholarship—By Cash Voucher, $5.		
Self-help, Board, $1,354.95; other sources, $127.32,		1,482 27

Utah Work.:

Salary,	$2,609 42	
Travel,	95 00	
Scholarship,	202 20	
		$2,906 62
Salary—By Cash Voucher, $5.		

Harwood Home, Albuquerque, N. M.:		
Salary,	$863 36	
Current Expenses,	70 00	
Scholarship,	600 00	
Special Fund,	37 11	
		$1,570 47
Self-help, Board, $307.25; other sources, $94.41,		401 66
El Paso, Texas.—Spanish Work.		
Salary,	$480 00	
Current Expenses,	150 00	
		$630 00
Las Vegas—Spanish Work:		
Salary,	$480 00	
Current Expenses,	150 00	
		$630
Key West—Spanish Work:		
Current Expenses,	$50 00	
		$50 00
Current Expenses—By Cash Voucher, $26.		
Hawaii:		
Special Fund,	$85 55	
		$85 55
Indian Work—Dulce, N. M.:		
Salary,	$910 00	
Current Expenses,	50 00	
Scholarship,	171 16	
Special Fund,	150 13	
		$1,281 29
Navajo Indians—Jewett, N. M.:		
Salary,	$1,110 00	
Travel,	43 05	
Current Expenses,	90 00	
Scholarship,	41 00	
Special Fund,	354 47	
		$1,638 52
Yakima Indian Agency, Ft. Simcoe, Wash.:		
Salary,	$360 00	
Current Expenses,	120 00	
Special Fund,	31 00	
		$511 00
Stickney Home, Lynden, Wash.:		
Salary,	$540 00	
Scholarship,	688 34	
Special Fund,	185 70	
		$1,414 04
Scholarship—By Cash Voucher, $5.		
Pawhuska, Okla.:		
Salary,	$127 50	
Current Expenses,	116 30	
		$243 80
Current Expenses—By Cash Voucher, $171.50.		

Pawnee City, Okla.:

Salary,	$156 69	
		$156 69

Ponca, Okla.:

Salary,	$480 00	
Current Expenses,	10 25	
		$490 25

Ukiah Mission, California:

Salary,	$120 00	
		$120 00

Jesse Lee Home, Unalaska Alaska:

Salary,	$840 00	
Scholarship,	1,045 98	
		$1,885 98

Special Fund—By Cash Voucher, $5.

Immigrant Home, New York:

Current Expenses,	$3,990 00	
Advanced to pay on note,	500 00	
Special Fund,	752 10	
		$5,242 10

Special Fund—By Cash Voucher, $61.

Immigrant Home, Boston, Mass.:

Current Expenses,	$1,296 00	
Special Fund,	36 00	
		$1,332 00

Special Fund—By Cash Voucher, $1,249.75.

Immigrant Home, Philadelphia, Pa.:

Current Expenses,	$300 00	
		$300 00

Mothers' Jewels Home, York, Neb.:

Salary,	$800 00	
Current Expenses,	3,187 66	
Scholarship,	608 47	
Special Fund,	347 60	
		$4,943 73
Current Expenses—By Cash Voucher, $10.		
Scholarship—By Cash Voucher, $51.88.		
Special Fund—By Cash Voucher, $25.75.		
Self-help, Board, $1341.26; Farm Products, $101.03; Collections, $600; other sources, $360.71,		2,403 00

Watts de Peyster Home, Tivoli, N. Y.:

Current Expenses,	$3,165 47	
Scholarship,	1,544 43	
Special Fund,	1,059 10	
		$5,769 00
Scholarship—By Cash Voucher, $133.02.		
Special Fund—By Cash Voucher, $231.		
Self-help, Dairy and Garden Products, $1,030.87; other sources, $130.08,		1,160 95

Glenn Home, Cincinnati, Ohio:

Special Fund,	$132 35	
		$132 35
Special Fund—By Cash Voucher, $877.		
Self-help, Board, $819.32; other sources, $92.58,		911 90

E. E. Marcy Home, Chicago, Ill.:

Special Fund,	$140 25	
		$140 25
Current Expenses—By Cash Voucher, $1,016.48.		
Special Fund—By Cash Voucher, $3,516.19.		
Self-help, Collections, Entertainments, etc.,		241 32

Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school, Washington, D. C.:

Salary,	$1,250 00	
Current Expenses,	4,620 00	
Scholarship,	1,387 69	
Special Fund,	441 76	
		$7,699 45
Scholarship—By Cash Voucher, $250.50.		
Special Fund—By Cash Voucher, $1,291.21.		

Sibley Hospital:

Special Fund,	$19 50	
		$19 50
Special Fund—By Cash Voucher, $2,029.33.		

Rust Hall, Washington, D. C.:

Special Fund,	$18,742 60	
		$18,742 60
Special Fund—By Cash Voucher, $24.		

Deaconess Work:

General Fund—Half Dues,	$1,151 89	
Special Fund,	242 62	
		$1,394 51
General Fund—Half Dues—By Cash Voucher, $974.66.		
Special Fund—By Cash Voucher, $4,730.90.		

Bancroft Rest Home:

Special Fund,	$315 32	
		$315 32
Special Fund—By Cash Voucher, $487.86.		

Deaconess Fund:

Special Fund,	$454 38	
		$454 38
Special Fund—By Cash Voucher, $38,377.04.		

Frontier Work:

Special Fund,	$10 00	
		$10 00
Current Expenses—By Cash Voucher, $2,580.49.		
Special Fund—By Cash Voucher, $3,555.09.		

Oriental Work, San Francisco, Cal.:

Current Expenses,	$2,000 00	
Scholarship,	396 69	
		$2,396 69
Scholarship—By Cash Voucher, $1,271.23.		
Self-help, Rent,		120 00

Oriental and Spanish Work, Southern California:		
Current Expenses,	$575 00	$575 00
Loan Library, Detroit, Mich.:		
By Cash Voucher, $132.35.		
Home Missions:		
By Cash Voucher, Advertising, $70.		
Coke Regions:		
By Cash Voucher, $343.37.		
Literature and Printing Accounts:		
Leaflet Account,	$299 80	
Children's Paper Account (special),	5 65	
General Printing Account,	1,705 18	$2,010 63
Notes, Interest, Insurance, Taxes, Etc.:		
Bills Payable (Notes),	$7,675 00	
Interest on Notes,	1,336 29	
Annuities,	30 00	
Interest on Annuities,	195 05	
Endowment (Mrs. Fisk),	200 00	
Insurance,	672 11	
Taxes,	223 91	$10,332 36
Organizer's Account:		
General Organizers,	$1,378 25	
Conference Organizers,	914 04	$2,292 29
By Cash Voucher, $123.59.		
Office's Expenses:		
Cincinnati, Ohio,	$1,614 19	
Delaware, Ohio,	1,345 80	
New York,	812 19	$3,772 18
Miscellaneous:		
Attorneys' Fees,	$277 05	
Field Secretary's Salary and Expenses,	1,513 74	
Bureau Secretaries,	744 25	
Annual Meeting,	412 00	
Miscellaneous,	802 21	$3,749 25
Miscellaneous—By Cash Voucher, $9.		
Total Amount Cash Expenditures,		$109,991 75
Total Amount Cash Voucher Expenditures,		72,156 10
Balance in Treasury, July 31, 1899.		2,302 60
		$184,450 45
Cash Vouchers above itemized,		$64,578 86
Cash Vouchers other sources,		7,577 24
		$72,156 10
Self-help,		$19,976 49

GENERAL SUMMARY.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES.

Receipts:		
Balance from last year,	$3,733 85	
General Fund,	54,985 94	
Annuities,	1,190 00	
Bequests,	9,360 34	
Endowment,	200 00	
Bills Payable,	21,390 00	
Scholarship Fund,	12,915 98	
Special Fund,	79,174 34	
Special Fund Annuity,	1,500 00	
		$184,450 45
Expenditures:		
General Fund,	$66,174 31	
Scholarship Fund,	10,287 15	
Special Fund,	25,855 29	
Bills Payable,	7,675 00	
Expended by Voucher,	72,156 10	
Balance forward to next year,	2,302 60	
		$184,450 45

FINANCIAL REPORT OF DEACONESS HOMES

Under the Supervision of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

Aldrich Memorial:		
Receipts—Balance, 1898,	$14 52	
Auxiliaries of the W. H. M. S. and other sources,	1,512 33	
	$1,526 85	
Disbursements,	976 72	
Balance, 1899,		$550 13
Baltimore:		
Receipts—Balance, 1898,	$1,300 00	
Auxiliaries of W. H. M. S. and other sources,	2,104 12	
Interest on Bequest,	66 75	
	$3,470 87	
Disbursements,	2,462 94	
Balance, 1899,		$1,007 93

Bancroft Rest Home:

Receipts—Balance, 1898,	$58 30	
Auxiliaries of W. H. M. S. and other sources,	1,502 74	
	$1,561 04	
Disbursements,	1,406 80	
Balance, 1899,		$154 24

Bethany Hospital:

Fisk Training-school; lately affiliated with the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

Bidwell:

Receipts—Balance, 1898,	$66 02	
Auxiliaries of W. H. M. S. and other sources,	959 10	
	$1,025 12	
Disbursements,	927 61	
Balance, 1899,		$97 51

Brooklyn:

Receipts—Balance, 1898,	$488 00	
Auxiliaries of W. H. M. S. and other sources,	3,294 71	
Interest on Endowment,	561 76	
	$4,344 47	
Disbursements,	3,758 61	
Balance, 1899,		$585 86

Buffalo:

Receipts—Balance, 1898,	$844 29	
Auxiliaries of W. H. M. S. and other sources,	2,191 28	
	$3,035 57	
Disbursements,	2,433 77	
Balance, 1899,		$601 80

Caroline Rest Home:

Recently acquired.

Cleveland:

Receipts—Deficit, 1898,	$9 01	
Auxiliaries of W. H. M. S. and other sources,	3,094 68	
	$3,085 67	
Disbursements,	3,108 76	
Deficit, 1899,		$23 09

Colorado Conference:

Receipts—Deficit, 1898,	$25 19	
Auxiliaries of W. H. M. S. and other sources,	1,014 50	
	$989 31	
Disbursements,	875 51	
Balance, 1899,		$113 80

Columbus:
Recently opened.

Cunningham:

Receipts—Balance, 1898,	$490 58	
Auxiliaries of W. H. M. S. and other sources,	1,278 31	
	$1,768 89	
Disbursements,	1,129 93	
Balance, 1899,		$638 96

Davis:

Receipts—Balance, 1898,	$24 69	
Auxiliaries of W. H. M. S. and other sources,	133 50	
	$158 19	
Disbursements,	139 45	
Balance,		$18 74

Detroit:

Receipts—Balance, 1898,	$38 80	
Auxiliaries of W. H. M. S. and other sources,	2,789 42	
	$2,828 22	
Disbursements,	2,822 46	
Balance, 1899,		$5 76

Griffin:
Recently opened.

Indianapolis:

Receipts — Auxiliaries of W. H. M. S. and other sources,	$469 92	
Disbursements,	402 06	
Balance, 1899,		$67 86

Knoxville:

Receipts — Auxiliaries of W. H. M. S. and other sources,	$379 56	
Disbursements,	379 56	

Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school and Deaconess Home, Washington, D. C.:

Receipts—Balance, 1898,	$233 00	
Auxiliaries of W. H. M. S. and other sources,	8,333 32	
	$8,566 32	
Disbursements,	8,469 34	
Balance, 1899,		$96 98

Mt. Carmel:

Receipts—Balance, 1898,	$36 80	
Auxiliaries of W. H. M. S. and other sources,	250 14	
	$286 94	
Disbursements,	261 91	
Balance, 1899,		$25 03

Newark Conference, Jersey City:

Receipts—Balance, 1898,	$53 56	
Auxiliaries of W. H. M. S. and other sources,	1,510 84	
	$1,564 40	
Disbursements,	1,480 44	
Balance, 1899,		$83 96

Philadelphia:

Receipts — Auxiliaries of W. H. M. S. and other sources,	$8,311 07	
Disbursements,	8,311 07	

Pittsburg:

Receipts — Auxiliaries of W. H. M. S. and other sources,	$2,427 26	
Disbursements,	2,427 26	

San Francisco:

Receipts—Balance, 1898,	$69 15	
Auxiliaries of W. H. M. S. and other sources,	2,876 60	
Interest on Sims Bequest,	74 00	
	$3,019 75	
Disbursements,	2,862 53	
Balance, 1899,		$157 22

Sioux City:

Work recently begun.

Southern California Conference:

Receipts—Balance, 1898,	$24 62	
Auxiliaries of W. H. M. S. and other sources,	599 75	
Bequest,	124 00	
	$748 37	
Disbursements,	745 75	
Balance, 1899,		$2 62

Southwest Kansas Conference:

Receipts,	$504 57	
Disbursements,	459 63	
Balance, 1899,		$44 94

Thompson Rest Home:

Recently acquired.

Total Receipts,		$50,072 36
Total Disbursements,		45,844 11
Balance in Treasury, 1899,		$4,228 25

Glenn Home:

Receipts—Balance, 1898,	$107 27	
Auxiliaries of W. H. M. S. and other sources,	2,558 72	
Mears Bequest,	100 00	
	$2,765 99	
Disbursements,	2,314 73	
Balance, 1899,		$451 26

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES.

Assets:

Estimated Value of Buildings and Grounds:

Southern States,	$146,300 00
Utah, exclusive of Deaconess property at Salt Lake,	12,300 00
New Mexico and Oklahoma,	15,000 00
Pacific Slope,	12,000 00
City Missions,	131,300 00
Deaconess Homes,	312,225 79
Total,	$629,125 79

Invested Endowment Funds,	$14,661 57
Bank Stock,	425 00
Bank Deposit,	775 00
Freedmen's Aid Society Bonds,	10,000 00
Cash Balance,	2,302 60
Total,	$28,164 17

Liabilities:

Loans,	$32,318 32
Endowment Funds,	4,972 00
Annuity Funds,	6,365 00
Total,	$43,655 32

LIST OF BEQUESTS RECEIVED DURING YEAR 1898–1899.

Mrs. Burns, Detroit, Mich.,	$1,880 00
Mrs. Katharine Harvey, Eaton Rapids, Mich.,	200 00
Mrs. Sarah L. Palmer, N. Y.,	3,184 59
Mrs. Eliza W. Savage, Berea, O.,	100 00
Experience Gardner, South Coventry, Conn.,	250 00
Josephine L. Wightman, Syracuse, N. Y.,	393 43
Julia E. Taylor, Rochester, N. Y.,	800 00
Rebecca Pettis, Providence, R. I.,	100 00
Mrs. L. Winch, Northfield, Vermont,	475 52
Mrs. Eliza Davis, Cincinnati, O.,	70 00
Miss Mary Lockhart, Mauch Chunk, Pa.,	1,906 80
	$9,360 34

ANNUITIES.

DATE.	DONOR.	AMOUNT.
July 1, 1897,	A Friend,	$1,000
January 1, 1898,	Barbara M. Sutch,	1,000
March 1, 1898,	Mrs. Jennie E. Alger,	155
July 1, 1898,	A Friend,	500
July 5, 1898,	Miss Hattie E. Brooks,	50
August 20, 1898,	Miss Martha Van Marter,	1,000
November 30, 1898,	Miss Mary H. Ware,	100
December 1, 1898,	Miss Hattie E. Brooks,	50
January 5, 1899,	Mrs. Jennie E. Alger,	10
March 11, 1899,	J. J. D. Scoles,	600
April 3, 1899,	A Friend,	135
May 20, 1899,	A Friend,	150
May 24, 1899,	Miss Mary H. Ware,	100
July 18, 1899,	S. E. Rolinson,	1,000
July 22, 1899,	A Friend,	215
		$6,395
	Less amount returned to Miss Brooks,	30
	Total,	$6,365

The above funds are the donations from elderly people, who stipulate that they shall receive, during their lifetime, an annual interest on the amount given.

ENDOWMENT FUNDS.

DONOR.	TO WHOM.	AMOUNT.
John A. Wise Bequest,	Wilmington Conference,	$425 00
Button Bequest,	Thayer Home,	667 00
" "	Lucy Webb Hayes Tr'ning-school,	333 00
The January Sisters,	Sibley Hospital,	200 00
Mrs. Jones,	Ritter Home,	1,047 00
Transferred from Balances,	" "	2,500 00
Notes in hands of executors of estate of Mrs. Jas. Dillon,	" "	700 00
	*Baltimore Deaconess Home,	2,200 00
	*Brookyln Deaconess Home,	10,000 00
	*Philadelphia Deaconess Home,	761 57
	*San Francisco Deaconess Home,	800 00
	Total,	$19,633 57

The above funds are gifts to the Society upon which the Society agrees to pay in perpetuity an annual interest for the support of some object named by the donor.

*These funds are held and administered by Local Boards for the especial work of the Homes named.

RECEIPTS FROM ALL SOURCES, 1898–99.

Cash and Cash Vouchers through General Treasurer,	$184,450 45
Received for Tuition and Board in Schools and Homes.	19,976 49
Expended in Local Work,	3,978 40
Value of Supplies,	70,177 50
Total,	$278,582 84

VALUATION OF PROPERTY OF THE DEACONESS HOMES

Allied with the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

(This property is in most instances held by Local Boards.)

Aldrich Memorial Home, Grand Rapids, Mich.,	$15,600 00
Baltimore Home, Baltimore, Md.,	14,000 00
Mt. Tabor Industrial Building,	15,000 00
Bancroft Rest Home, Ocean Grove, N. J.,	10,338 00
Bethany Hospital, Fisk Training-school, } Kansas City, Kansas,	20,000 00
Bidwell Home, Des Moines, Ia.,	5,000 00
Brooklyn Home, Brooklyn, N. Y. (House, $20,000, leased of Church Extension Society), Endowment $10,000, Personality $5,000,	15,000 00
Buffalo Home, Buffalo, N. Y.,	14,200 00
Caroline Rest Home, Round Lake, N. Y.,	500 00
Cleveland Home, Cleveland, Ohio,	11,200 00
Colorado Conference Deaconess Home, Denver, Colo.,	350 00
Columbus Ohio,	.....
Cunningham Deaconess Home and Orphanage, Urbana, Ill.,	23,446 22
Davis Deaconess Home, Salt Lake City, Utah,	18,000 00
Detroit Home, Detroit, Mich.,	10,800 00
Tillman Avenue Mission,	2,300 00
Griffin Home, Rensselaer, N. Y.,	4,500 00
Indianapolis Home, Indianapolis, Ind.,	3,700 00
Knoxville Home, Knoxville, Tenn.,	200 00
Los Angeles Home, Los Angeles, Cal.,	4,000 00
Newark Conference Home, Jersey City, N. J.,	400 00
Newark Conference Deaconess Home, Newark, N. J.,	200 00
Philadelphia Home, Philadelphia, Pa.,	25,761 57
Pittsburg Home, Pittsburg, Pa.,	13,500 00
Provo Deaconess Home, Provo, Utah,	2,000 00
San Francisco Home, San Francisco, Cal.,	1,500 00
Sioux City, Ia.,	.....
Thompson Rest Home, Mountain Lake Park, Md.,	2,580 00
* Washington Home, Training-school, Sibley Hospital,	.....
	56,550 00
	17,000 00
Wichita Home, Wichita, Kansas,	3,500 00
Wilmington Del.,	300 00
Deaconesses working apart from Homes,	.....
Total,	$312,225 79

* On the above there is $44,775 indebtedness.

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CONSTITUTED DURING THE YEAR.

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CONSTITUTION

OF THE

Woman's Home Missionary Society

OF THE

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL CONFERENCE OF 1884.

ARTICLE I.—Name.

THIS organization shall be known as the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

ARTICLE II.—Objects.

The aim of this Society shall be to enlist and organize the efforts of Christian women in behalf of the needy and destitute women and children of all sections of our country, without distinction of race, and to co-operate with the other societies and agencies of the Church in educational and missionary work.

ARTICLE III.—Organization.

SECTION 1. The officers of the Society shall be a President, five Vice-Presidents, a Corresponding and a Recording Secretary, a Treasurer, and twelve Resident Managers, who, together, shall constitute the General Executive Board, and reside in, or not remote from, the city of Cincinnati.

SEC. 2. The annual meetings of the Board of Managers shall be held in the city of Cincinnati, unless otherwise provided, and shall consist of the General Executive Board, together with the Corresponding Secretary and one delegate from each Conference.

SEC. 3. The work of the annual session shall be:

(1.) To elect the General Executive Board for the ensuing year.

(2.) To take into consideration the demands of the entire work of the Society, designating fields of labor, examining the reports of missionaries already employed, and selecting beneficiaries; to estimate the needs of the mission-fields, determine the amounts to be raised, and to devise means for carrying forward the work of the Society; to appropriate its receipts in accordance with the purposes and methods herein indicated; to arrange with the several Conference Secretaries the work to be undertaken by each Conference, and, until such time as the Conference organizations are complete, to appoint a suitable person to fill the place of Corresponding Secretary of the Conference work in the several Conferences.

(3.) To transact any other business that the interests of the Society may demand; provided all its plans and directions shall be in harmony with this Constitution.

SEC. 4. In the event of a vacancy in the General Executive Board occurring *ad interim*, the place shall be filled by the Executive Board.

SEC. 5. The General Executive Board shall meet quarterly, or oftener, at the call of the President and Recording Secretary, and seven shall constitute a quorum to do business.

SEC. 6. The duties of the General Executive Board shall be:

(1.) To execute all orders of the Board of Managers.

(2.) To determine all matters referred to them by the Board.

(3.) To administer all the affairs of the Society between the annual sessions of the Board of Managers.

SEC. 7. The duties of the President, Vice-Presidents, and Recording Secretary shall be such as usually devolve upon such officers.

SEC. 8. The duty of the Corresponding Secretary shall be to make herself acquainted with the needs and opportunities of the mission-field, to correspond with missionaries and with the Conference Secretaries, and to furnish the Conference Boards with all needful information; also to secure from them the details of their work, which will be necessary to make quarterly reports to the Executive Board and annual reports to the Board of Managers concerning the condition and needs of the mission-field, and publish the same for the information of the membership.

SEC. 9. The Treasurer shall keep a regular account of the receipts and disbursements of the Society, report the state of the funds at the Annual Meeting and at each regular meeting of the Executive Board, pay only such bills as it shall direct, each order being signed by the President and Recording Secretary, and she shall make such disposition of the funds in her hands as the Executive Board may approve. At the close of the year the accounts shall be audited by a competent person selected for the purpose.

ARTICLE IV.—Conference Organization.

SECTION 1. A Conference Society shall consist of all the Auxiliary Societies in a given Conference, together with a Conference Executive Board. It shall take the name of the Conference in which it is located.

SEC. 2. The officers of the Conference Society shall be a President, one Vice-President, and one or more Managers from each presiding elder's district, a Corresponding and a Recording Secretary, and a Treasurer (the Corresponding Secretary may also be the Treasurer). These officers shall constitute the Executive Board of the Conference Society for the administration of the affairs of the Society, and five shall constitute a quorum. These officers shall be selected at the Annual Meeting, and hold office till others are chosen.

SEC. 3. The duties of the Executive Board shall be:

To co-operate in plans for the permanent establishment of the Society within the Conference bounds; to provide for an Annual Meeting and arrange anniversary exercises; and to transact any other business that the interests of the Society may demand, provided its action is in harmony with this Constitution.

SEC. 4. (1.) The duties of the President and Recording Secretary shall be such as usually appertain to their respective offices, and to co-operate with the Corresponding Secretary, Vice-Presidents, Managers, and Treasurer in organizing and conducting the work.

(2.) The duties of the Vice-Presidents and Managers shall be to organize Auxiliaries in their respective districts, and by all proper means to awaken missionary interest and zeal.

(3.) The duties of the Corresponding Secretary shall be to attend the session of the Annual Conference; to endeavor to interest ministers and ladies in the work of the Society; to organize Auxiliary Societies in the various charges in the Conference, and, as soon as practicable, to effect a Conference organization in harmony with the Constitution; to conduct the correspondence of the Society with the General Executive Board, with Auxiliary Societies within the Conference, with such missionaries in the field and beneficiaries in the schools as are supported by the Conference; to forward quarterly to the Corresponding Secretary of the General Exec-

utive Board a full statement of the work of the Conference Society, and to present an annual report to the Board of Managers at the Annual Meeting.

(4.) The duty of the Treasurer, who may also be Corresponding Secretary, shall be to receive and forward all funds of the Society monthly, keeping a book account, and to make a quarterly report of the same to the Treasurer of the General Executive Board.

SEC. 5.—**Special Work.**—Individuals, Auxiliaries, or Conference Societies may, subject to the approval of the Conference Board and of the General Executive Board, select special fields of labor, and provide for the support of missionaries therein employed, and they may also educate beneficiaries selected by themselves.

ARTICLE V.—Auxiliary Societies.

SECTION 1. Ten or more women who shall organize under the Constitution and By-laws for Auxiliaries, and pay their annual dues, thereby become a Society auxiliary to the Conference Society, and are entitled to one delegate to the Annual Meeting of the Conference Board. And the pastor shall report the collections of this Society at the Annual Conference.

SEC. 2. Auxiliary Societies, or local Committees, when there is no Conference Society yet established, shall report to the Conference Secretary appointed by the General Executive Board. When there is no Secretary in the Conference within the territorial bounds of which they are, they shall report to the Treasurer and Corresponding Secretary of the General Executive Board.

ARTICLE VI.—Membership.

The payment of one dollar annually shall constitute membership, and twenty dollars life membership. Any person paying one hundred dollars shall become an Honorary Manager for life, and the contribution of three hundred dollars shall constitute the donor an Honorary Patron for life.

ARTICLE VII.—Relations to Other Branches of Church Work.

SECTION 1. This Society will engage exclusively in missionary labor in our own land, and it will work in harmony with the connectional societies of the Church.

a. The appointment, employment, and remuneration of its missionaries shall be subject to the approval of the Board of Managers of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

b. The fields of labor and the general plans and designs of work of this Society shall be subject to the approval of the Board of Managers of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

c. All the missionaries supported by the Woman's Home Missionary Society shall labor under the direction of the authorities of the Missionary Society, and if in a mission, shall be subject to the same rules and regulations that govern the other missionaries in that particular mission.

SEC. 2. The funds of the Woman's Home Missionary Society shall not be raised by collections, nor by subscriptions taken during any regular Church service, nor in Sunday-schools, but shall be raised by securing members, life members, honorary members, managers, and patrons, by collections taken in audiences convened in the interests of the Society, and by other methods (such as fairs, festivals, lectures, etc.) which will not interfere with the collections and contributions for the treasury of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church; and the amounts so collected shall be reported to the Annual Conference through the preachers in charge, in order that they may be entered among the benevolent collections and published in the Annual and General Minutes.

SEC. 3. The Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church may act as the Trustee of the Woman's Home Missionary Society in all matters of legacies, and in holding for it real estate or other trusts, as the Woman's Home Missionary Society may desire.

SEC. 4. The Annual Meeting of the Board of Managers of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, which determines its work for the year, shall be so arranged that its plans may be submitted to the authorities of the Missionary Society for approval, at their Annual Meeting in November.

ARTICLE VIII.

This Constitution may be changed by the General Conference. Amendments to the Constitution may be proposed at any Annual Meeting of the Board of Managers by a two-thirds vote of the members present, a three-months' notice of the proposed change having been sent to each Conference organization, and published in the Church papers.

BY-LAWS OF THE WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

I

ANNUAL MEETING.

1. THE President and the Corresponding and Recording Secretaries of the Society shall fix the time and place of the Annual Meeting, unless this has been done at a previous Annual Meeting.

2. A committee of five, appointed by the Board of Trustees, shall prepare a program of exercises and an order of business for the Annual Meeting, and announce the time and place of the meeting in the Church papers.

3. All Officers of the Society shall be nominated by ballot, and elected by ballot, in open session.

4. The appropriations of the Society shall be made by the General Board of Managers, acting as a Committee of the Whole.

II.

BUREAUS.

1. The mission-fields and departments of work shall be placed in charge of Bureaus, each consisting of a Secretary, and such Assistants as are nominated by the Secretary of the Bureau, and elected by the Board of Trustees.

2. Each Bureau shall have the responsibility, in its own field, of executing the plans and applying the funds as ordered by the General Board of Managers, and supervised by the Board of Trustees.

3. The duty of the Secretary of the Bureau shall be to supervise the work, secure conformity to the rules for mission work approved by the General Board of Managers, and report quarterly or oftener to the Board of Trustees.

4. The Bureaus shall be: (1) Georgia; (2) Florida; (3) East Central States; (4) West Central States; (5) Mississippi; (6) West Southern States; (7) Texas; (8) Utah; (9) New Mexico and Arizona (Spanish); (10) New Mexico and Arizona (Indian); (11) Indian and Frontier Work; (12) Alaska; (13) Immigrants; (14) Deaconess; (15) Orientals; (16) Mission Supplies; (17) Young People's Work; (18) Local Missionary Work; (19) Lectures and Home Missionary Reading Circle; (20) Systematic Beneficence.

5. The Bureau for Georgia shall supervise the work of the Society in the State of Georgia, and the Bureau for Florida in the State of Florida.

6. The Bureau for the East Central States shall supervise the work of the Society in West North Carolina and South Carolina.

7. The Bureau for the West Central States shall supervise the work of the Society in East North Carolina and Tennessee.

8. The Bureau for Mississippi shall supervise the work of the Society in that State.

9. The Bureau for the West Southern States shall supervise the work of the Society in Louisiana and Arkansas.

10. The Bureaus for Texas, Utah, New Mexico and Arizona (Spanish), New Mexico and Arizona (Indian), and Alaska shall supervise the work of the Society in these States and Territories respectively.

11. The Bureau for Indian and Frontier Work shall supervise the work of the Society in Frontier States and Territories not included in other Bureaus.

12. The Bureau for Immigrants shall supervise the establishment and care of Homes and Industrial Schools for Immigrant women and girls, in connection with the Atlantic ports of entry.

13. The duty of the Bureau for Deaconess Work shall be the organization and the supervision of such Training-schools and Deaconess Homes as are under the auspices of the Society, and the appointment of Deaconesses to fields of labor.

a. This Bureau consists of its Secretary, an Assistant and Field Secretary, its Executive Committee, its Advisory Council, the General Superintendent of Deaconess Work, and two ladies from each locality where the Deaconess Home is established, and three additional members of whom at least one shall be a deaconess.

b. There shall be a General Superintendent of Deaconess Work, who may be the President of the National Training-school. The Superintendent shall be nominated by the Deaconess Bureau and elected by the General Board of Managers, and shall co-operate with the Secretary of the Bureau in the management of the work; shall receive quarterly the reports from the several Homes, keep on file a full statement of the condition and work of these Homes, and endeavor to establish helpful relations between the several Homes and between the Homes and the National Training-school.

c. No promise of life support shall be made to those who enter upon the work after the age of forty-years, or to those who shall have given less than eight years of efficient, consecutive service as Deaconesses, under the auspices of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, the eight years of service not to include the two years of training.

d. No promise of life support shall be made to those who, at the close of their effective service, shall be unwilling to enter the Rest Home.

e. Any such Deaconess may be admitted to the Rest Home on the payment for her of $200 by the Home of which she has been a member, or by herself, or by her friends.

f. The Executive Committee of such Deaconess Home as receives support from the Woman's Home Missionary Society, on approval of the General Board of Managers, shall become a Standing Committee for its management, and shall report the work of the Home annually through its delegate.

g. The Board of Management of each Home associated with the Woman's Home Missionary Society shall secure that a report, as per blank furnished by the Deaconess Bureau, be sent quarterly on dates corresponding to the divisions of the fiscal year of the Society, to the Secretary of the Deaconess Bureau, to the General Superintendent of Deaconess Work, and to the General Corresponding Secretary.

h. We recommend that the rules of the several Homes, as to support

of deaconesses, term of service, costume, age, or admission and support of disabled workers, shall be as nearly as possible uniform, and that the allowance for incidentals, for clothing, etc., for a licensed deaconess shall be eight dollars a month; all questions pertaining to the general interests of deaconess work being in each Conference finally placed, as by the Discipline, under the control of the Conference Board of Nine.

i. Cities and towns where such Deaconess Homes are located as are authorized to send a delegate to the General Board of Managers, shall have the right to retain half the membership dues of the Auxiliaries located therein, and the receipt of the Conference Treasurer will be received and credited by the General Treasurer for the same.

j. Any person receiving aid from the Woman's Home Missionary Society in securing training at the training-schools of the Society shall receive this money as a loan, which obligation shall be satisfied by a term of service in the Society of not less than two years' service for one year's training, nor less than four years' service for two years' training, or return the money to the Society as soon as practicable.

k. The Superintendent of any Deaconess Home, associated with the Woman's Home Missionary Society, shall be a member of the Executive Board of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Conference in which that Home is located.

l. The deaconesses of any Deaconess Home, associated with the Woman's Home Missionary Society, may select, annually, one of their own number who is a member of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, to represent them at the meetings of the Conference Society.

14. The Bureau for Orientals shall supervise the work of the Society among the Oriental peoples on the Pacific Coast.

15. The Bureau for Mission Supplies shall supervise the collection and distribution of clothing, literature, and such other supplies as may be helpful to ministers' families, Sunday-schools, and the Industrial Schools of the Society.

16. It shall be the duty of the Bureau for Young People's Work to awaken and sustain interest in Home Missions among young people; to organize Young Ladies and Juvenile Societies, and to secure the enlistment of Mothers' Jewels.

17. The Bureau for Local Missionary Work shall supervise the mission work in our large cities and towns, as begun or carried forward by our Auxiliaries in harmony with the local Church authorities, pastors, and Official Boards; the support of Industrial Schools, for instruction in religion, morals, temperance, and the elementary industries; and the employment of Bible-readers for general missionary work among the neglected women and children.

18. Local missionary work, for which credit for money expended is given, shall be entered upon only with the approval of the Board of Trustees through the Secretary of the Bureau for Local Missionary Work.

19. The funds used for the support of city mission work shall be raised for that special purpose, and by such methods as shall not diminish the amount that would otherwise be contributed to the general treasury.

20. Churches and individuals furnishing supplies to meet the needs of organized Local Missionary Work may be credited for the same through the authorized channels in the Bureau for Supplies.

21. The Bureau for Home Missionary Reading Circle, shall supervise the preparation of courses of missionary reading, and the organization of Reading Circles. Loan libraries may be provided for the use of ministers and students in frontier districts.

22. The duty of the Bureau for Systematic Beneficence shall be to pro-

mote systematic giving by the preparation and circulation of literature, and such other efforts as are adapted to secure this end.

23. All Secretaries of Bureaus shall be nominated by the General Executive Board, and confirmed by the Board of Managers.

24. The Secretaries of the Bureaus of Supplies, of Local Missionary Work, of Young People's Work, of Home Missionary Reading Circle, of Immigrants, and of Deaconess Work, may nominate the members of their Bureaus, who shall be elected by the General Executive Board.

III.

FINANCE.

1. The fiscal year of the Woman's Home Missionary Society shall end the 31st of July.

2. **Auxiliary Societies.**—The Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer shall send their quarterly reports, as specified in By-laws for Auxiliaries, 4 and 5, September 15th, December 15th, March 15th, and June 15th.

3. **Conference Societies.**—The Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer shall send their quarterly reports as prescribed in the Constitution, Article IV, Sections 3 and 4, October 15th, January 15th, April 15th, and July 15th.

4. **General Executive Board.**—The Corresponding Secretary shall furnish the reports specified in the Constitution, Article III, Section 8, as soon as possible after the 15th of October, January, April, and July.

5. The funds of the Society, unless otherwise ordered, must be sent by the Auxiliaries to the Conference Treasurer, and thence forwarded to the General Treasurer, and whenever held by either of these officers, shall be deposited in a banking institution in the name of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. Money to be expended for missionary supplies for frontier or Southern work must in all cases be raised as a special fund for this work.

6. Moneys shall not be collected by the employees of the Society for any special purpose, unless such collection is authorized by the Board of Trustees, and the purpose approved; and moneys so collected shall be paid into the General Treasury, and be regularly appropriated therefrom.

7. All missionaries, superintendents of Industrial Schools, and teachers in the employ of the Society shall present to the Board of Trustees, through the Secretaries of their respective Bureaus (not later than September 10th of each year), carefully-prepared estimates for their work for the coming year.

8. Each Conference Corresponding Secretary is requested to come to the meeting of the General Board of Managers prepared to say what special work her Conference will support for the coming year.

9. No officer of the Society, no Auxiliary or Conference Society, shall contract for the purchase of property, or undertake any special work (other than local work within its own territory) without the approval of the Board of Trustees of this Society, expressed in writing and duly certified by the signatures of the Chairman and the Recording Secretary of said Board.

10. The erection of buildings shall not be begun nor contracted for until the money that will be required for the completion thereof shall have been paid into the general treasury of this Society, or fully provided for, nor until the erection of the said building or buildings, and all the plans and contracts relating to the same shall have been approved by the Board of Trustees of this Society in the manner specified in the foregoing paragraph.

IV.

BUILDINGS AND CARE OF HOMES AND SCHOOLS.

1. The erection of all buildings for Home and school work shall be under the care of the Bureau having charge of the work, which shall determine the site, select the plan, let the contract, supervise the erection, and accept the work, subject to the approval of the Board of Trustees.

2. The furnishing of Industrial Homes and schools shall be plain, simple, and economical, and as carefully adapted to circumstances as possible. The purchases shall be made under the direction of the Bureau in charge, and the property shall belong to the Society. At the end of each year an inventory of property, and a statement of its condition, shall be furnished to the Board by the Superintendent of the Home.

3. Each Industrial Home shall be under the care of a Superintendent, who, together with the teachers and assistants, shall be employed by the Board of Trustees and paid by order of the Society.

4. All the employees of the Board shall make, directly, or through their superintendents, as they shall be instructed, monthly reports of their work as per blank provided, sending one copy to the General Corresponding Secretary and another to the Secretary of the Bureau in charge of the field.

5. Since the conversion and spiritual growth of those for whom we labor is the object of all effort, our instructors are required to work diligently and methodically to that end, through family worship, school instruction, personal appeal, and social means of grace, endeavoring at all times to develop sound and strong character.

6. It shall be the aim in our Industrial Schools to provide: (1.) Such social and moral training as shall tend to make good neighbors and good citizens; (2.) When necessary, the rudiments of education—reading, writing, and keeping simple accounts; (3.) Such domestic instruction as shall fit girls to care for a house, and prepare plain meals properly and economically; (4.) Instruction in dressmaking and cutting, making and mending the plain garments of ordinary wearing apparel; (5.) Tuition in nursing—the care of the sick; (6.) Kindergarten and kitchengarden training; (7.) Instruction in the cultivation of vegetables, fruits, and flowers.

7. It shall be our aim to provide a library for each Industrial Home and school, to which pupils may have daily access.

V.

MISSIONARY INTELLIGENCE.

1. There shall be a Committee on Leaflets, appointed by the Board of Trustees, to furnish information relating to the various Bureaus and mission fields, and literature in leaflet form, that will help Auxiliaries sustain their interest in our work, and upon application send such information out for use in Conference, District, and Auxiliary meetings, as will aid in the dissemination of Home Missionary intelligence.

2. The Recording Secretary shall give to the public, through the Church papers, a condensed report of such proceedings of each meeting of the Board of Trustees, as will be of interest to the society or to the general public.

VI.

MISSIONARY CANDIDATES.

I. Persons who offer themselves for employment by the Society must give satisfactory answers to the following questions:

(1.) Do you feel that you are moved by the love of souls and the providence of God to take upon you the work of a Home Missionary?

(2.) Have you an experimental knowledge of salvation through the atonement of Jesus Christ our Lord?

(3.) Do you believe in the doctrines of the Methodist Episcopal Church as set forth in Part I, Chapter I, of the Discipline?

(4.) When and where were you born?

(5.) What are your domestic relations and obligations?

(6.) Have you a thorough English education?

(7.) In what schools have you taught, and how long?

(8.) Have you knowledge of music, either vocal or instrumental?

(9.) Can you cut and fit dresses and teach sewing and millinery?

(10.) Are you able to give instruction in housekeeping, including cooking?

(11.) Have you had experience in the care of the sick?

II. The candidates must furnish satisfactory testimonials to the following facts: (1.) Membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church; (2.) Christian zeal for the salvation of souls; (3.) Good health; (4.) Educational fitness; (5.) Ability to give instruction in the common domestic industries; (6.) Aptness to teach.

(2.) Each candidate is requested to write a letter giving a brief sketch of her life and her call to the work, which, with her photograph, is to be sent with her testimonials.

(3.) The testimonials of a missionary candidate shall be considered and passed by her Conference Board before they are brought to the Committee on Missionary Candidates.

(4.) When a candidate has been approved by the Board of Trustees, she may be appointed on nomination of a Bureau to a mission-field.

(5.) The Board of Trustees at its quarterly-meeting in April shall make a special examination of the work of the missionaries during the past year, and appoint them for the coming year.

(6.) A missionary shall receive her traveling expenses from her home to her field of labor; also her return expenses when she is recalled by the Board of Trustees, and her salary from the time of arrival in her field. This salary shall not exceed $40 per month.

VII.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK.

1. Young people may be organized into Mission Circles under the general rules governing Woman's Auxiliaries, with a membership fee of not less than fifty cents per annum. They may be under the direction of an older person, and they are recommended to choose a special name.

2. Young people under sixteen may be organized into Juvenile Bands under the Constitution already provided.

3. Children may be enrolled as Mothers' Jewels on the payment of ten cents annually.

VIII.

AMENDMENTS.

These By-laws may be amended or suspended at any Annual Meeting of the General Board of Managers; due notice of changes having been given during the first three days of such meeting.

BY-LAWS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

[NOTE.—Under the laws of incorporation of the State of Ohio, a majority of the members of the body incorporated constitutes a quorum. Therefore eleven is the legal quorum of the Board of Trustees of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.]

1. The meetings of the Board of Trustees shall be held quarterly, or oftener, at the call of the President and Recording Secretary, due notice being given.

2. The Recording Secretary shall notify each member of the time and place of all meetings, regular and special.

3. The Board of Trustees shall organize by the election of a Chairman and the requisite Standing Committees at its first meeting next succeeding the Annual Meeting of the General Board of Managers.

4. At the quarterly-meetings written reports shall be presented by the Corresponding Secretary, the Treasurer, the Secretaries of the Bureaus, and the Chairmen of the Standing Committees.

5. The Board of Trustees shall appoint a Business Committee of seven, to consist of the President, Corresponding Secretary, Recording Secretary, Treasurer, and three other members of the Board, with power to transact business for the Board in the intervals of the meetings of the Board of Trustees. This committee shall report all its action at the regular meeting next succeeding such action.

6. Corresponding Secretaries of Conference Societies, in attendance upon any meeting of the Board of Trustees, shall be entitled to a seat and the privilege of discussion.

7. The Order of Business and Rules of Debate shall be as follows: (1.) Singing, reading of Scriptures, prayer; (2.) Reading of minutes of last meeting; (3.) Reports of the Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, Secretaries of the Bureaus, Standing Committees; (4.) Reports of Special Committees; (5.) Unfinished business; (6.) Resolutions for discussion shall be presented in writing; (7.) Ladies speaking shall rise and address the Chair.

8. There shall be the following Standing Committees: (1) Business; (2.) Scholarships; (3.) Missionary Candidates; (4.) Annual Meeting; (5.) Publication; (6.) Leaflets; (7.) "Woman's Home Missions;" (8.) Transportation; (9.) Mite-boxes; (10.) Bequest and Devise; (11.) Insurance; (12.) Thank-offering; (13.) Day of Humiliation and Prayer.

9. These By-laws may be amended by a majority vote at any regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, notice of the desired change having been given at the preceding meeting. They may be suspended at any regular meeting by a two-thirds vote of the members present.

BY-LAWS FOR CONFERENCE SOCIETIES.

1. THE President and Corresponding Secretary of the Conference Society shall call meetings of the Executive Board when the exigencies of the work demand it, and shall also determine the date and place of the Annual Meeting, and arrange for anniversary exercises, unless these items have been provided for by previous action at the Annual Meeting.

2. The program for the Annual Meeting of the Conference Society shall include reports from the Recording and the Corresponding Secretary, the Treasurer, and the District Secretaries; the election of officers, of Standing Committees, and of a delegate and alternate to the Annual Meeting of the Board of Managers.

3. Order of Business: (1.) Devotional exercises; (2.) Introduction of delegates; (3.) Appointment of committees; (4.) Reading of minutes of last meeting; (5.) Report of Treasurer; (6.) Report of Corresponding Secretary; (7.) Reports of District Officers; (8.) Reports of committees; (9.) Unfinished and miscellaneous business; (10.) Election of officers.

4. Each District Secretary shall present a list of the full names of her delegation to the Recording Secretary.

5. The Standing Committees shall be appointed as follows: (1.) Annual Meeting; (2.) By-laws; (3.) Woman's Home Missions.

6. The Committee on Anniversary shall consist of the President, the Corresponding Secretary, and the Secretary of the District in which the meeting is to be held.

7. The officers shall be nominated by informal ballot, and elected by ballot. Vacancies occurring in the Conference Board *ad interim* may be filled by the Executive Board of the Conference.

8. Every Auxiliary Society and Young Woman's Society in the Conference shall be entitled to a delegate for each twenty members, and fraction thereof, provided that no Auxiliary shall be without a delegate; these delegates, with the Executive Board, shall constitute the Annual Meeting.

9. The duty of each District President shall be to have general supervision of the work in her District. She shall confer and co-operate with the Secretary in organizing and visiting the work; preside at the District meetings, and endeavor to secure the favor and aid of the presiding elder and pastors. She shall report her work to the Secretary of the District.

10. The duty of the District Secretary shall be to co-operate with the President in the organization of Auxiliaries; to correspond with and visit them, to arrange for public meetings, to send out blanks and receive reports, and to forward a report by the 1st of October, January, April, and July to the Corresponding Secretary of the Conference Society, and to secure a report from Auxiliary Corresponding Secretaries for Conference and District Annual Meetings. In the absence of a Conference Secretary of Young People's Work, she shall also secure reports from Circles and Bands.

11. There shall be a Supply Secretary, a Mite-box Secretary, a Secretary for Local Work, and a Secretary for Young People's Work, a Secretary for Home Missionary Reading Circle, and such other Secretaries as the exigencies of the work demand, each to report as directed by the Conference Executive Board. Each Conference Society shall also elect a Manager for the Lucy Webb Hayes Training-school at Washington, D. C.

12. The Executive Board shall meet in ———— on the —— of each month, if practicable.

13. No membership dues or moneys obtained for missionary purposes may be used for local needs.

14. Auxiliaries shall have credit in the General Reports only for moneys sent to the General Treasurer.

15. There shall be a contingent fund for local expenses, to which each Auxiliary shall contribute to the amount of at least ten cents a member for each year, one-half to be used in Conference expenses and the other half in those of the District and Auxiliary.

16. As soon as practicable, each District shall be organized into an Association under the Constitution adopted by the Board of Trustees.

17. The District Association or the President and Secretary of each District shall be a Committee to arrange for a presentation of our work at camp-meetings held on the District. In case of their failure to do so, that duty shall devolve upon the Conference Executive Board.

18. Any Conference that has held one or more Annual Meetings, and has its duly elected Conference and District officers, may determine its own methods of organizing Auxiliaries and the amount of remuneration of its organizers, provided that all its plans shall be in harmony with the Constitution.

19. The Conference Societies shall be held responsible for the direction and control of their respective organizers.

20. In all cases where Conference Organizers, whose appointment has been confirmed by the Board of Trustees, are employed, the expense, which consists of traveling expense and one dollar for each day of actual service, must be met by the Conference if possible. An itemized bill must be given to the Conference Treasurer, and when the Conference Contingent Fund is insufficient to pay the whole of this bill, the Conference Treasurer may forward the same, indicating the amount paid thereon, to the General Treasurer, who will pay the balance.

21. The accounts of such Organizers shall be audited each month by an Auditing Committee appointed by the Conference Board for this purpose before sending bills to the General Treasurer.

22. The Conference Treasurer shall close her account with the Auxiliaries the —— of ——, after which all the moneys received shall be placed in the next year's account.

23. These By-laws may be suspended by a majority vote of the Conference Executive Board at any regular meeting, and amended by a two-thirds vote of an Annual Meeting, the change being in harmony with the Constitution of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

CONSTITUTION FOR DISTRICT ASSOCIATIONS.

ARTICLE 1. This Association shall be known as the ——— District Association of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

ART. 2. It shall be the object of this Association to secure an Auxiliary in each charge on the District if possible, and to sustain interest in those already organized.

ART. 3. Every person who is a member of the Woman's Home Missionary Society on the ——— District shall be a member of the Association.

ART. 4. The officers of this Association shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Recording Secretary, a Corresponding Secretary, a Treasurer, and such Secretaries of departments as are necessary to the promotion of the work. These officers shall be nominated by informal ballot and elected by ballot.

ART. 5. The duties shall be such as usually devolve upon such officers, with the addition to those of the Corresponding Secretary, that she shall secure a report from each Auxiliary Corresponding Secretary on the 15th

of September, of December, of March, and of June, and send a report to the Conference Corresponding Secretary by the 1st of October, January, April, and July. The Treasurer shall hold the Contingent Fund of the District, which she shall disburse upon the order of the President and Corresponding Secretary.

ART. 6. There shall be an Annual Meeting for the election of officers and the transaction of such other business as may be of interest to the Association.

ART. 7. Amendments to this Constitution can be made under the provisions of No. 23, By-laws for Conference Societies.

CONSTITUTION FOR AUXILIARIES.

ARTICLE 1. This Association shall be called the Woman's Home Missionary Society of ———, Auxiliary to the ——— Conference Society of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

ART. 2. The object of this Society shall be to aid in interesting Christian women in the elevation and evangelization of needy and destitute women and children in our own land, and in raising funds for this work.

ART. 3. Any person paying a regular subscription of two cents per week, or one dollar per year, and 10 cents Contingent Fund, may become a member of this Society, and any person contributing five dollars per quarter for one year, or twenty dollars at one time, shall be constituted a life member.

ART. 4. The officers of this Society shall be a President, one or more Vice-Presidents, a Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, Librarian, and such other Department Secretaries as may be thought advisable, who together shall constitute an Executive Committee to administer the affairs of the Society.

ART. 5. Meetings of the Society for business and communication of intelligence shall be held ——— of each month. The Anniversary Meeting shall be on the ——— day of ———, when the Annual Reports of the Secretary and Treasurer shall be read, and the officers for the ensuing year elected.

ART. 6. This Constitution may be amended only by the Board of Trustees of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

BY-LAWS FOR AUXILIARIES.

1. IT shall be the duty of the President to preside at all meetings of the Society, and to supervise its general interests.

2. It shall be the duty of the Vice-President to perform the duty of the President in the absence of that officer, and to aid in devising means for the efficiency of the Society.

3. It shall be the duty of the Recording Secretary to keep a record of the proceedings of the Society, and provide the pastor with notices of meetings.

4. It shall be the duty of the Corresponding Secretary to conduct the correspondence of the Society, to send reports quarterly of the condition and work of the Auxiliary to the District Secretary when the District Association is organized; otherwise to the Conference Secretary, and in the absence of such an officer to the Corresponding Secretary of the General Society in Cincinnati. It shall also be the duty of the Corresponding

Secretaries, when no other person is appointed, to faithfully solicit subscriptions to *Woman's* and *Children's Home Missions*.

5. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to collect the dues of members, hold in trust the funds of the Society, keeping a book account, and to send the same quarterly to the Conference Treasurer, and in the absence of such an officer, to the Treasurer of the General Society.

6. It shall be the duty of the Librarian to provide and care for one or more sets of books in the Home Missionary Reading Circle. Five cents shall be charged for the use of any book returned within a month, five cents a week for all time additional, and the full price shall be paid for all books out over three months. These rentals shall constitute a permanent library fund. The Librarian shall keep a file of Woman's Home Missions and Annual Reports for reference, take and forward orders for the same, drawing upon the library fund for necessary postage, and for the purchase of new books. She shall keep a careful record and report regularly to the Auxiliary.

7. ORDER OF EXERCISES FOR MONTHLY MEETING:

(1.) Devotional Exercises.
(2.) Reading and approval of Minutes
(3.) Reports from members of work done.
(4.) Report of Treasurer, in writing.
(5.) Report of Corresponding Secretary.
(6.) Unfinished business.
(7.) Miscellaneous business.
(8.) Adjournment.

8. Once each quarter, if practicable, a public meeting shall be held, in which reports shall be read, addresses given, and every effort made to increase the general missionary intelligence and zeal in the special work of this Society.

9. There shall be a Standing Committee of three to provide literary exercises of a missionary character for the monthly and quarterly meetings.

10. Each lady connected with this Society shall try to induce others to become members, and shall do what she can to add to the general interest, remembering in prayer each day the Society, its workers, schools, orphans, and missionaries.

11. These By-laws may be changed or amended at any regular meeting of the Society, by a two-thirds vote of the members present—notice of such intention having been given at a previous meeting.

CONSTITUTION FOR YOUNG WOMAN'S SOCIETIES.

ARTICLE 1. This Society shall be called the Young Woman's Society of ——— Methodist Episcopal Church.

ART. 2. The object of this Society shall be to interest the young people of the Church in missionary work among the ignorant and degraded in our own country.

ART. 3. Any young person fourteen years of age or over, paying one cent a week, or fifty cents a year, may become a member of this Society, and any person paying two cents a week, or one dollar a year, may become an Honorary member of the Society.

ART. 4. The officers of this Society shall be a President, three or more Vice-Presidents, a Recording Secretary, a Corresponding Secretary, and a Treasurer, who, together with the Conference and District Secretaries for Young People, as advisory, by correspondence or otherwise, shall constitute an Executive Committee to conduct the work of the Society.

ART. 5. Meetings of the Society shall be held ——— of each month. The Annual Meeting shall be on ——— day of ———, when Annual reports shall be read, and officers elected for the coming year.

ART. 6. This Constitution may be changed only by the Board of Trustees of the Woman's Home Missionary Society.

BY-LAWS FOR YOUNG WOMAN'S SOCIETIES.

1. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Society, and in every way seek to promote its interests.

2. The Vice-President shall take the place of the President in her absence, and seek to assist her in every way.

3. The Recording Secretary shall keep a true record of the proceedings of the Society, and provide the pastor with notices of meetings.

4. The Corresponding Secretary shall carry on the correspondence of the Society, solicit subscriptions to our papers, and send reports once a quarter to the Conference Secretary of the work of the Society.

5. The Treasurer shall collect membership dues, keep a book account, and send funds once a quarter to the Conference Treasurer.

6. There shall be two Standing Committees, Literary and Musical; one to furnish a Missionary Program, and the other to provide music for the meetings.

7. Young Woman's Societies may give literary and musical entertainments in public, at which full reports of the work of the Society may be made, that the sympathy and interest of the Church may be awakened and kept alive.

8. Each member of the Society shall try to induce others to join, and shall do all in her power to make the meetings contribute to mental and spiritual growth.

9. Suggestive Order of Exercises for Monthly meeting: (1.) Devotional Exercises. (2.) Reading of Minutes. (3.) Report of Treasurer. (4.) Report of Corresponding Secretary. (5.) Discussion of plans of work. (6.) Program. (7.) Adjournment.

10. These By-laws can be changed or amended only at a regular meeting of the Society by a two-thirds vote of the members present, one month's notice of such intention having been given.

CONSTITUTION FOR JUVENILE SOCIETIES.

ARTICLE 1. This Society shall be called the ——— Mission Band of ——— Methodist Episcopal Church.

ART. 2. The object of this Society is to interest the children and youth of the Church in missionary work in our own land, and to secure their help in carrying it forward.

ART. 3. This Society, by virtue of its voluntary obligations to render material help in various departments of the work, shall be recognized as a lawful adjunct to the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and shall make reports thereto.

ART. 4. The officers of this Society shall be a lady Director, whose duty shall be to take charge of and direct the Society; a President, four or more Vice-Presidents, a Recording and a Corresponding Secretary, and Treasurer, whose duties shall be those usual to such offices.

ART. 5.—SEC. 1. Any child or young person, with consent of parents or guardian, may become a member of this Society by paying yearly twenty-five cents as membership fee.

SEC. 2. This Society may hold entertainments or use any methods for securing funds that are in harmony with Christian usages and the rules of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

SEC. 3. This Society may support a beneficiary, furnish Sunday-school supplies, or assist in any department of missionary work it may desire,

provided the work chosen be approved by the Executive Board of the Conference Society, or the Board of Trustees of the General Society.

SEC. 4. This Society may have affiliation with the Woman's Home Missionary Society only by contributing directly to its work in the mission fields, and can only have credit in the reports of the General Society for money paid into the General Treasury.

SEC. 5. The Annual Meeting of this Society for the election of officers shall be held on ———.

SEC. 6. This Constitution can be amended by the Board of Trustees of the General Society. Petitions for change may be made in writing, stating reasons for such request, and bearing the signature of all the officers of the Society.

BY-LAWS FOR JUVENILE SOCIETIES.

1. THE meetings of this Society shall be held on ——— of every ———.

2. A Committee on Music, consisting of three or five members (at least one adult), shall be appointed for one month or more, whose duty it shall be to provide suitable music for the meetings.

3. The Vice-Presidents shall each in turn be responsible for the entertainment of the meeting, by securing speeches, dialogues, quartets, etc., from their bands, and by obtaining the aid of adults as needed. And, together with the Director and the Committee on Music, they shall prepare a program before each meeting for the use of the President.

4. ORDER OF EXERCISE FOR REGULAR MEETING:

(1.) Devotional Exercises.
(2.) Reading and approval of Minutes.
(3.) Report of Treasurer.
(4.) Report of Corresponding Secretary.
(5.) Report of Bands.
(6.) Unfinished and miscellaneous business.
(7.) Program.
(8.) Adjournment.

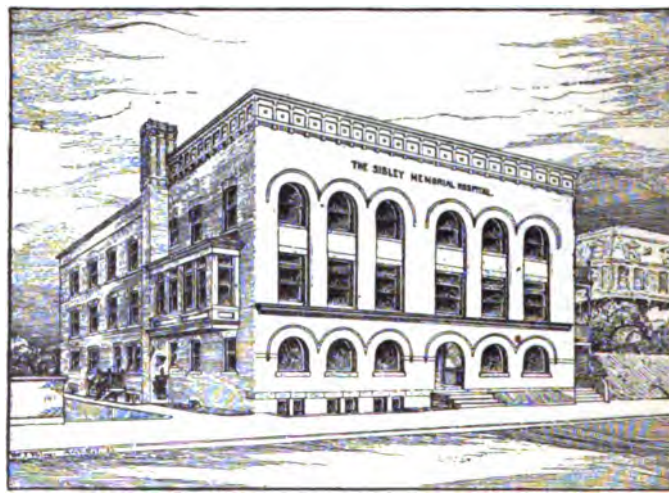
5. These By-laws may be amended with the consent of the Auxiliary with which the Society is connected.

FORM OF BEQUEST AND DEVISE.

***BEQUEST*—(Personal Estate)**—*I give and bequeath to the* **Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church,** *a corporation under the laws of the State of Ohio, the sum of..... and the receipt of the Treasurer shall be a sufficient discharge to my executors for the same.*

***DEVISE*—(Real Estate)**—*I give and devise to the* **Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church,** *a corporation under the laws of the State of Ohio, the following lands and premises, that is to say:....., to have and to hold or dispose of the same, with the appurtenances, to the said Society, its successors, and assigns forever.*

NOTE.—Notice should be given promptly to the Corresponding Secretary of the Society of all Bequests and Devises.



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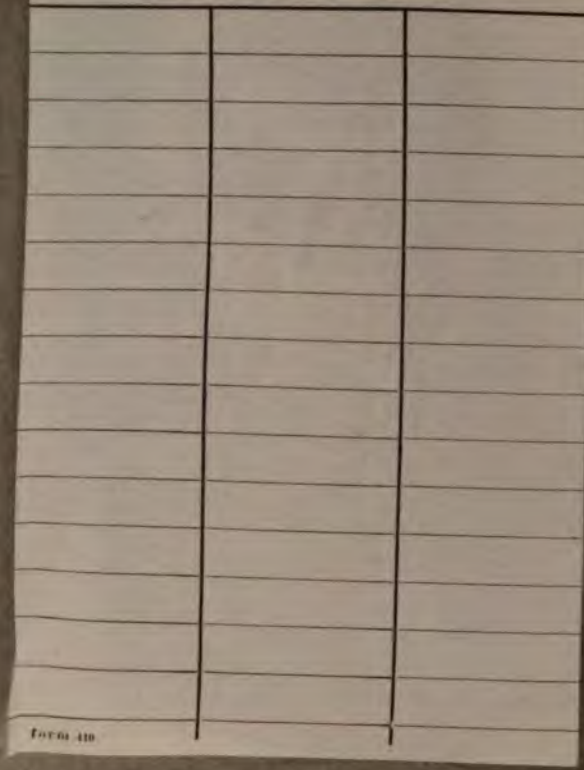
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